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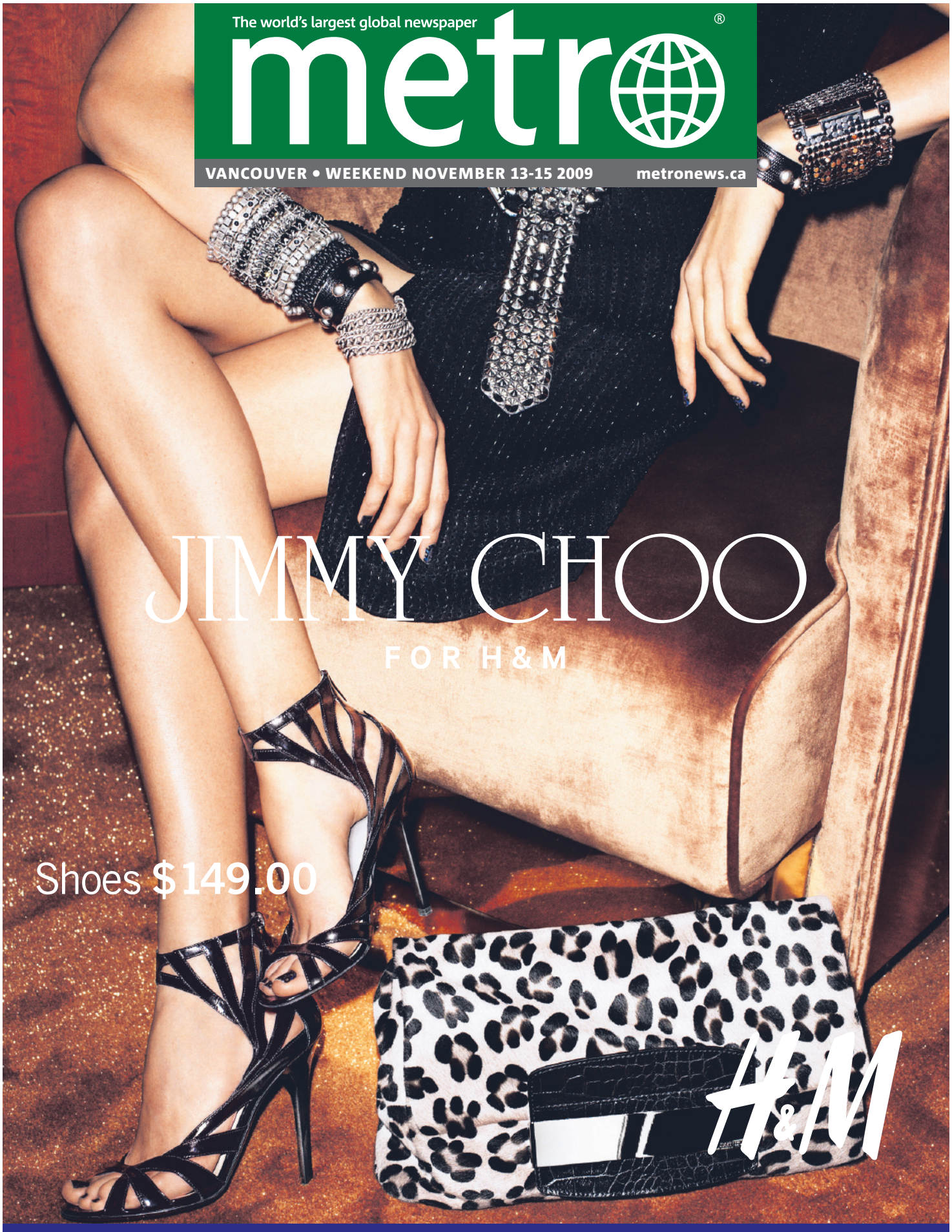

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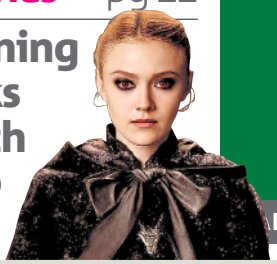

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Seattle North at Jericho Beach, Spanish Banks?

THE GOOD LIFE Seventy spots have been rented out to recreational vehicle owners at Jericho Beach and Spanish Banks — most of them to people from the Seattle area.

Vancouver Park Board commissioner Aaron Jasper told Metro Vancouver that a newspaper article in Seattle likely spurred Americans to start booking some of the 300 spots available.

The board needs to fill 150 of the spots to break even on the initiative.

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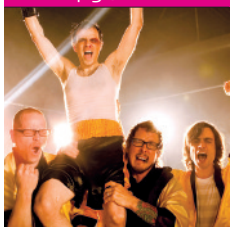

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Firefighters spray water onto the remains of several businesses destroyed Thursday morning during a fire on Main Street at Broadway.

'Memories,' businesses up in smoke on Main St.

40 firefighters battle 3-alarm blaze Thursday in Mount Pleasant

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A restaurant that was the "heart" of the South Main Street revival was among the five businesses gutted in a large fire Thursday morning in Mount Pleasant.

"I feel empty," said Mike Zalman, owner of Slickity Jim's Chat 'N' Chew, a restaurant that was among the businesses destroyed in the early morning three-alarm fire on Main Street at Broadway.

"It was one of the oldest businesses on new Main Street," said Zalman, standing in a coffee shop across the street and watching as firefighters poured water onto the collapsed roof of his charred restaurant.

Also destroyed were an accounting office; Zocalo, a contemporary Mexican restaurant; and Kishu Island, a Japanese restaurant. Lugz Coffee Lounge was largely intact, but did suffer some fire and water damage. No one was injured.

"When I moved to Main Street, it wasn't quite the community it is now. It's been built up over the past 10 years and I think Slickity Jim's provided a heart for the neighbourhood to build around."

Assistant fire Chief Wade Pierlot said crews arrived on scene about 4 a.m. after a report of smoke in the 2500 block of Main Street.

Firefighters tried to battle the blaze unsuccessfully and decided to pull back, spraying water on the fire from above. Shortly thereafter the roof collapsed.

The fire was upgraded to a third alarm, bringing in additional crews, a total of about 40 firefighters. Police evacuated about 20 people from a four-storey apartment located next to Lugz. Capt. Gabe Roder said investigators believe the fire was not deliberately set and appeared accidental.

Zalman, who moved the restaurant into the neighbourhood about 10 years ago, said he has insurance and plans to reopen in the same area, his "stomping ground."

"It's not even really the money. It's a big part of it, but it was 10 years of my life. Ten years of memories."

Flu levelling off in south, central B.C.

Flu Outbreak

HEALTH The second wave of H1N1 influenza has likely reached a plateau in Southern and Central British Columbia, health experts said Thursday in Victoria.

The number of flu patients visiting doctors' offices has levelled off and the number of H1N1 tests and prescriptions for the anti-viral Tamiflu medication is holding steady, said Dr. Perry Kendall, B.C.'s provincial health officer.

"For the last two weeks, hospitalizations (from flu) have been in the same ballpark," said Kendall during a conference call.

"It doesn't mean that they might (not) take off again, but we're hopeful they won't."

H1N1 influenza, however, is still increasing in the North, and Kendall warned that there is nothing to suggest that the H1N1 flu is decreasing yet in Southern and Central B.C.

He still encourages people to get vaccinated against the virus.

"Even if, as I hope, we are seeing a levelling off, there is no way to tell how long the plateau will last and we would expect to see … a similar number of cases on the downside of the slope as we saw on the upside."

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Grouse Mountain opening for business

Grouse Mountain will open its 83rd ski season Friday evening, from 4 to 10 p.m. The ski hill, which will host NBC's Today Show during the Olympics, plans to remain open 24 hours a day during the 2010 Games. Its new wind turbine/observation tower will open for business in January.

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PARKS Fees at Vancouver parks and community centres will increase twice next year. The Parks Board is considering raising fees across the board by four per cent in January to match inflation. They would increase by seven per cent on July 1 with the implementation of the Harmonized Sales Tax.

INCOME The Insurance Corporation of B.C. posted a net income of $422 million during the first nine months of 2009, down $15 million for the same period last year. Income from investments was $431 million, up from $360 million a year previous. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Ski jumpers Charlotte Mitchell, left, Katie Willis, centre, and Karla Keck outside the B.C. Court of Appeal in downtown Vancouver on Thursday.

Ski jumpers fight on

Court hearing women's appeal for inclusion

VANCOUVER 2010 Games

With three months to go until the 2010 Winter Olympics, world champion ski jumper Lindsay Van is training for the Games just like hundreds of other athletes.

But in addition to the workouts, she's also spending her time in court as one of 14 female jumpers suing VANOC over whether the Charter of Rights and Freedoms means her sport must legally be part of the Games.

The time in court might be better spent on a mountain, but Van said it's important.

"It's not something I picked, it just came along with my love of the sport and trying to push the sport forward to where it belongs — in the Olympics," she said Thursday outside the B.C. Court of Appeal.

A panel of appeal judges are hearing the case this week and while they could issue a ruling right after arguments conclude, the question remains whether a women's event is even possible at this late stage.

But Deedee Corradini, president of Women's Ski Jumping USA, said it's not beyond the realm of possibility.

"There are many days in the calendar when the ski jumps are available and open, the volunteers are going to be there."

Men's ski jumping is the first event of the Games on Feb. 12.

The women want the courts to rule that VANOC must either include a women's ski jumping event in the 2010 Games, or cancel the men's event.

The B.C. Appeal Court is being asked to decide whether a lower court judge erred when she ruled that while the Games were a government activity and subject to the Charter of Rights, it's the IOC that decides which sports are included and they aren't subject to the Charter.

The women argue that while the decision may ultimately rest with the IOC, that doesn't mean Vancouver can break the law.

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2014 inclusion?

- The international body that governs ski jumping has said it will press for the inclusion of the women's competition for the 2014 Winter Games in Sochi, Russia.

Third round of Olympic tickets on sale Saturday

VANCOUVER 2010 Games

ONLINE The final instalment of more than 100,000 Olympic tickets, including hotly anticipated events like gold-medal hockey and the opening and closing ceremonies, go on sale Saturday.

The tickets are for city events and include all hockey games. Tickets for curling are available for nine of 12 possible Team Canada preliminary and medal-round matches.

Tickets to Nordic and alpine events in Whistler are no longer available because of transportation issues.

The third instalment of tickets was supposed to have been sold last weekend, but was delayed because of technical issues with VANOC's ticket service provider.

According to VANOC, tickets.com experienced difficulties with the configuration between the virtual waiting room and the ticketing transaction site.

Caley Denton, VANOC's vice-president of ticketing, said in a release Thursday that configurational issues have been resolved.

"We're confident we'll see strong demand when tickets go on sale Saturday," Denton said.

Tickets go on sale at 10 a.m. at vancouver2010.com. Prospective purchasers will be placed in a virtual waiting room and will be randomly selected to enter the ticket site.

Once in, people can purchase up to four separate events with a limit of four to eight tickets per event.

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Councillor urging freebie program for unwanted items

INITIATIVE A Vancouver city councillor aims to turn one person's trash into another's treasure.

COPE Coun. David Cadman wants city engineering to examine the feasibility of a neighbourhood program where residents could give away their unwanted household items.

"It's a way of keeping things out of landfills," Cadman said of his notice on the motion that should come before council on Tuesday.

"We have to look at all the opportunities that are out there to avoid something going to waste, finding a way to reuse it, in this case, or recycle it."

Similar programs, he said, are in place in other Canadian cities, including Ottawa and Winnipeg.

He said he wants to leave the specifics to city engineering, but added the program could conceivably be as simple as designating school parking lots on certain days as places of exchange. JEFF HODSON/ METRO VANCOUVER

City gym gets Twilight stars in top shape

FITNESS Twilight actors Robert Pattinson, Ashley Greene and 14 others learned how to fight for their action scenes at a Vancouver gym.

The third instalment of the Twilight franchise, Eclipse, is expected to be the most action-packed yet when it's released next year.

Filmed in Vancouver, its actors trained at Studeo 55, a private club, for their roles.

Trainer Nathan Mellalieu said he was told when planning their training that the fighting scenes were going to be performed by the actors themselves, not standins.

Ashley Greene Robert Pattinson

"Vampires are athletic, crazy strong and explosive, but they also have beautiful supermodel bodies," Mellalieu said. "We couldn't let them take on the physique of a hardcore athlete or body builder.

"Their training was very intentional — every move had a specific purpose in conditioning their bodies for this movie."

Their routine included crossfit, MMA-style techniques and complex workout moves that used a lot of muscle groups with little rest between reps.

Nikki Reed, who plays Rosalie, said the workouts changed their lives, "not to mention our asses."

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Chopra lends name to treatment centre

SQUAMISH A world-renowned author and spiritual leader is lending his name to an addictions-treatment facility in Squamish on Friday.

It'll be known as Canada's first Deepak Chopra Centre and located on a 10-acre property on the banks of the Cheakamus River at the Paradise Valley Wellness Centre.

Chopra, who began his career as a medical doctor, is the author of more than 55 books on spirituality and mind-body medicine.

The New Delhi-born Chopra was once named one of the Top 10 motivational speakers in the United States by Esquire Magazine. He will not be in Squamish for Friday's announcement.

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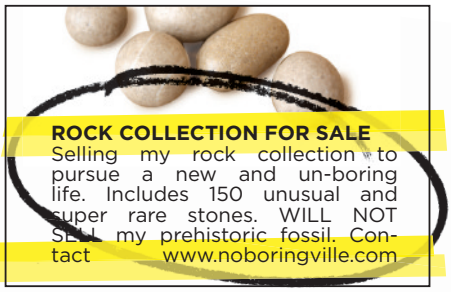

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Expect Games gains: Board

British Columbia will top the country in economic growth next year in large part because of a gold-plated boost the province is getting from hosting the Winter Olympics, the Conference Board of Canada says.

The Ottawa think tank's provincial outlook released Thursday forecasts B.C.'s economy will leap forward by 4.2 per cent next year after being one of the provinces hardest hit by the recession.

Only Saskatchewan, a prairie province rich in energy, minerals and grains, will come close to B.C. for growth next year at 3.7 per cent, says the Conference Board.

"There's going to be increased tourism activity and all the spending associated with the Olympics, and that will generate a lot of employment," explained Marie-Christine Bernard, who authored the report. She said the Olympic effect alone will boost the economy by up to 0.8 per cent.

In a previously released forecast, the Conference Board had projected the Canadian economy as a whole would shrink by 2.1 per cent this year and grow by 2.9 per cent in 2010, an estimate that is about level with the Bank of Canada's projections but more optimistic than most private economists. In its report, the Conference Board said the Canadian economy will keep expanding to 3.6 per cent growth in 2011, better than the 3.3 per cent the central bank has predicted.

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Man turns self in after wife found dead

CRIME A 40-year-old Abbotsford man turned himself over to police custody Thursday, a day after his wife's body was discovered inside their fire-damaged home.

Investigators said the 41-year-old woman's injuries were not consistent with dying in a fire.

Abbotsford police and Langley RCMP arrested the man without incident in the 20600 block of Fraser Highway, after he contacted officers Thursday morning.

The victim's body was found at 9 a.m. Wednesday inside a suspicious house fire in rural Abbotsford.

The victim and her husband have two children, 10 and 15, who were not harmed and are currently in the care of their relatives.

The scene investigation is expected to take several days because of considerable fire damage.

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DONORS A public meeting organized by Canadian Blood Services is being held in Vancouver this Saturday. It aims to find reasons for the rate of organ and tissue donation in Canada being less than half of the best performing countries around the world.

FORESTS A student group called the Ancient Forests Committee protested outside Premier Gordon Campbell's Point Grey constituency office on Thursday. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Home prices continue to rise

REAL ESTATE The price of new homes in Metro Vancouver edged up 1.4 per cent in September over August of 2009 — the largest increase in the country.

According to Statistics Canada, prices continued to increase in Vancouver because some builders moved to new phases of development. Others raised their list prices as consumer interest increased and market conditions continued to improve.

Across Canada, contractors' selling prices rose 0.5 per cent in September.

By comparison, prices also increased in Ottawa–Gatineau (one per cent), Calgary (0.6) and Toronto (0.5).

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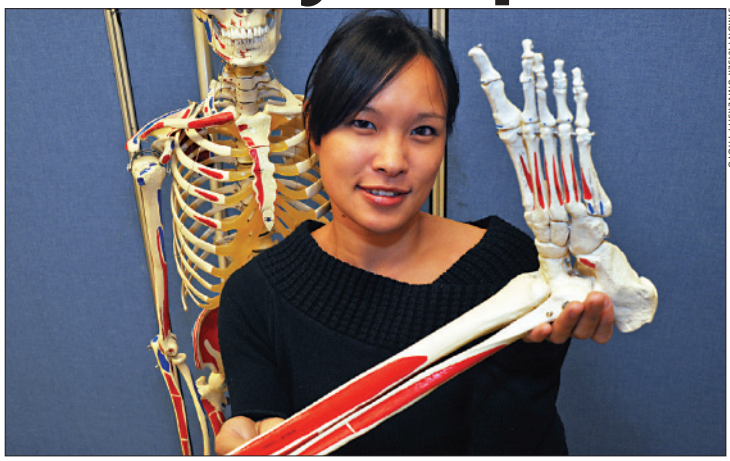
Longer toes key to speed?

Longer toes may give sprinters a leg up on other runners, according to a new Simon Fraser University study.

Sabrina Lee, a post doctoral fellow at SFU, and colleague Stephen Piazza found that longer toes and a unique ankle structure give sprinters a "burst of acceleration" over others.

The pair studied the muscle architecture of the feet and ankles of 12 collegiate sprinters and 12 non-athletes. Using toe measurements and ultrasound imaging, they found that the distance between the Achilles tendon and the centre of rotation of the ankle were much shorter in sprinters.

They developed a simple computer model to see how much acceleration they could generate when the tendon lever arm and toe lengths were changed.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SFU researcher Sabrina Lee is studying whether longer toes help make people faster.

"We found the greatest acceleration occurred when the Achilles tendon lever arm is the shortest and the toes are longest," said Lee.

The findings are only one explanation for determining a good sprinter, Lee added. It's still unclear what effect training can have on influencing the shape of foot bones.

The study, Built for Speed: Musculoskeletal Structure and Sprinting Ability, appears in the current Journal of Experimental Biology. METRO VANCOUVER

Syrian man detained at Surrey border freed

SECURITY A Syrian man detained as a potential national security threat after he tried to cross the border into Surrey with nearly $1 million and a ring emblazoned with a Hezbollah logo has been freed from custody.

Khaled Nawaya, 34, says he is still in shock and he thanked God for his release after the Immigration and Refugee Board allowed him out of custody.

Lawyer Phil Rankin says Nawaya, who tried to cross into B.C. from the United States on Oct. 6, lied about the coins and cash because he didn't want to be taxed.

Officials from the Canadian Border Services Agency, who had earlier successfully argued for his detention on terrorism-related grounds, agreed to the release.

Rankin says the ring and other suspicious items, including 9-11 conspiracy DVDs, were nothing more than a sign that Nawaya is sympathetic toward the situation in the Middle East.

Nawaya, who'd lived in the U.S. for 16 years and had been approved to immigrate to Canada, says he got most of the money he was carrying as the result of a lawsuit in the U.S.

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$12.5M settlement excessive: Insurers

CRASHES The Insurance Corporation of B.C. wants a judge to overturn an almost $12.5-million settlement for what it calls three minor accidents.

According to CBC News Online, a North Vancouver businesswoman was involved in three collisions, all in parking lots, between 2006 and 2008.

The case went to court last month and the woman was awarded almost $12.5 million, an amount ICBC called excessive in the extreme. The award included $6.5 million for pain and suffering, well above the legal maximum of $330,000. METRO VANCOUVER

News in brief

MOUNTIES The City of Richmond has secured a new state-of-the-art headquarters for Richmond RCMP that is almost double the size of its current home. Located on No. 5 Road, the building is home to the 2010 Vancouver Integrated Security Unit. It will be ready for occupancy in 2012.

WANTED A 51-year-old man, who was wanted on a Canada-wide warrant for attempted murder in Cranbrook, has turned himself into police. The charges stem from an Oct. 29 shooting outside the Sam Steele Inn. Two other men are also charged in the shooting. METRO NEWS SERVICES

New and improved Commercial-Broadway Station opens Friday
TransLink is holding a grand opening Friday for its newly upgraded Commercial-Broadway Station. TransLink said the station will enhance safety and security in the area as it is built according to the principles of crime prevention through design. METRO VANCOUVER

Witnesses sought

The RCMP are looking for witnesses to a collision on Remembrance Day that left an 11-year-old Chilliwack boy in serious condition.

A Chevrolet Suburban attempting to pass a commercial truck on a double solid line near Hope became wedged under the truck's trailer.

The boy, who was sitting in the front seat, was seriously hurt.

He was in hospital in stable condition on Thursday.

Witnesses are asked to call RCMP at 604-702-4039. METRO VANCOUVER

News in brief

ONLINE AUCTION The B.C. Lions will auction this season's 1960s-inspired retro jerseys and black helmets to raise funds for the B.C. Football Hall of Fame. The auction runs from Friday morning to just before midnight Sunday evening on bclions.com.

RESCUE A man in his 60s was taken to hospital Thursday morning after being rescued from the bottom of a ravine in West Vancouver, news1130.com reports. Assistant fire Chief Martin Ernst said the man was dressed warmly and may have been at the local legion for Remembrance Day celebrations the night before.

DONATION DRIVE SUCCESS, a Vancouver-based immigrant services agency, is partnering with Canadian Blood Services to encourage "ethnically diverse" donations of blood and stem cells during stem cell awareness week from Nov. 16 to 21. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Cow sells for $1.2M

A three-year-old cow bred on P.E.I. has sold at auction for $1.2 million.
Eastside Lewisdale Gold Missy was bred in Frenchfort by Bloyce Thompson, who owns Eastside Holsteins. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Canada

Tories must come clean: Bloc

The federal Conservatives must come clean and explain their ties to the scandal-plagued provincial party Action Democratique du Quebec. That's the message from one of the Tories' opponents at the federal level — Bloc Quebecois Leader Gilles Duceppe, left. Duceppe says his own party has been straightforward about its ties to the separatist Parti Quebecois. Now he wants the same clarity about what role the federal Tories have played in organizing for the ADQ. THE CANADIAN PRESS

News in brief

ROYAL VISIT Ever wonder what it's like in that royal bubble when the heir to the throne and his wife come to call? For one thing, Prince Charles and Camilla, Duchess of Cornwall, come with their own crowd. Not your typical well-wishers, though. Their shadows are a small army of security, their own staff, Canadian government officials, assistants and media.

TRIAL The lawyer for the man accused of kidnapping and murdering eight-year-old Victoria (Tori) Stafford asked for the public's "patience" Thursday. Following a brief video court appearance by Michael Rafferty, 28, lawyer Laura Giordano said the public needed "to keep an open mind" about her client.

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Calgary **Bus crash**

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As many as three dozen elementary school students are being treated for cuts and bruises after an accident in Calgary on Thursday, between their bus and a minivan. The bus appears to have jumped the curb and smashed into a tree in front of a house in the city's northwest. Neighbours managed to help the screaming children out of the smashed-up bus.

Some items under $4 HST-exempt

ONTARIO The morning coffee and newspaper are among the items Ontario will exempt from the provincial portion of the blended sales tax, Finance Minister Dwight Duncan announced Thursday.

With a service counter at Tim Hortons as his backdrop, Duncan said fast food and beverages sold for less than $4 and newspapers are being added to the exemption list.

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Military acts on suicides

Rapid-reaction team in works

The military is creating a rapid reaction force of mental health workers to investigate suicidal soldiers and better treat psychological problems in its ranks.

This, plus an overhaul of the way the Canadian Forces keeps track of retired or reserve force soldiers who kill themselves, forms the backbone of a new strategy for combatting suicides that was presented this week to Gen. Walter Natynczyk, the chief of defence staff.

It is the defence department's attempt to bring mental health problems in the force to the forefront and remove the stigma often attached to soldiers who seek help for psychological problems related to the traumas of war or because of underlying mental health issues.

It's also a way to more quickly address some of the gaps in the way the military deals with members at risk of taking their own lives.

Probe

- The official probe, known as a board of inquiry, is the most thorough accounting that the force does of a death or major military incident.

Just last month, the mother of Pte. Frederic Couture, who lost his foot in December 2006 to a roadside bomb, said she was dumbstruck to find out that her son had tried to kill himself on the battlefield, minutes after suffering his injury, before successfully taking his life on Nov, 14, 2007.

Linda Lagimoniere said she only learned from an official investigation completed long after his death that there were early signs he may have been suicidal.

"When you finally find out what happened, you go, 'My God, why did they never tell me?'" she told Radio-Canada.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Accused in sexsomnia case not a threat, says board

ASSAULT A Toronto man found not criminally responsible for sexually assaulting a woman because he was asleep will not face any long-term restrictions on his freedom.

The Ontario Review Board ruled Thursday that Jan Luedecke does not pose a significant threat to public safety and granted him an absolute discharge.

The board was responsible for determining what conditions, if any, were to be placed upon the landscaper who suffers from sexsomnia, a rare sleep disorder.

The assault took place in the early hours of a 2003 house party in Toronto.

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Quebec to get tough on scams in construction

LAWS Quebec is toughening rules governing how cities award building contracts amid allegations of rampant corruption in the construction industry.

Rather than call a public inquiry into Quebec's ongoing scandal, the provincial government will table laws that would give it more control over municipal politicians.

The proposed legislation would allow provincial inspectors to scrutinize municipal books and impose sanctions if tendering rules aren't followed. The province also plans to double the number of inspectors it has.

But Municipal Affairs Minister Laurent Lessard says mayors shouldn't sit back and wait for the province to act. He urges them to show some initiative and tighten their own rules.

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News in brief

CRIME A thief with a gun likely wasn't counting on an 84-year-old veteran and a fellow member of his Toronto legion putting up a fight when he tried to make off with their poppy money. They chased the suspect and tackled him. "He didn't get any money," said John Dietsch, the 84-year-old.

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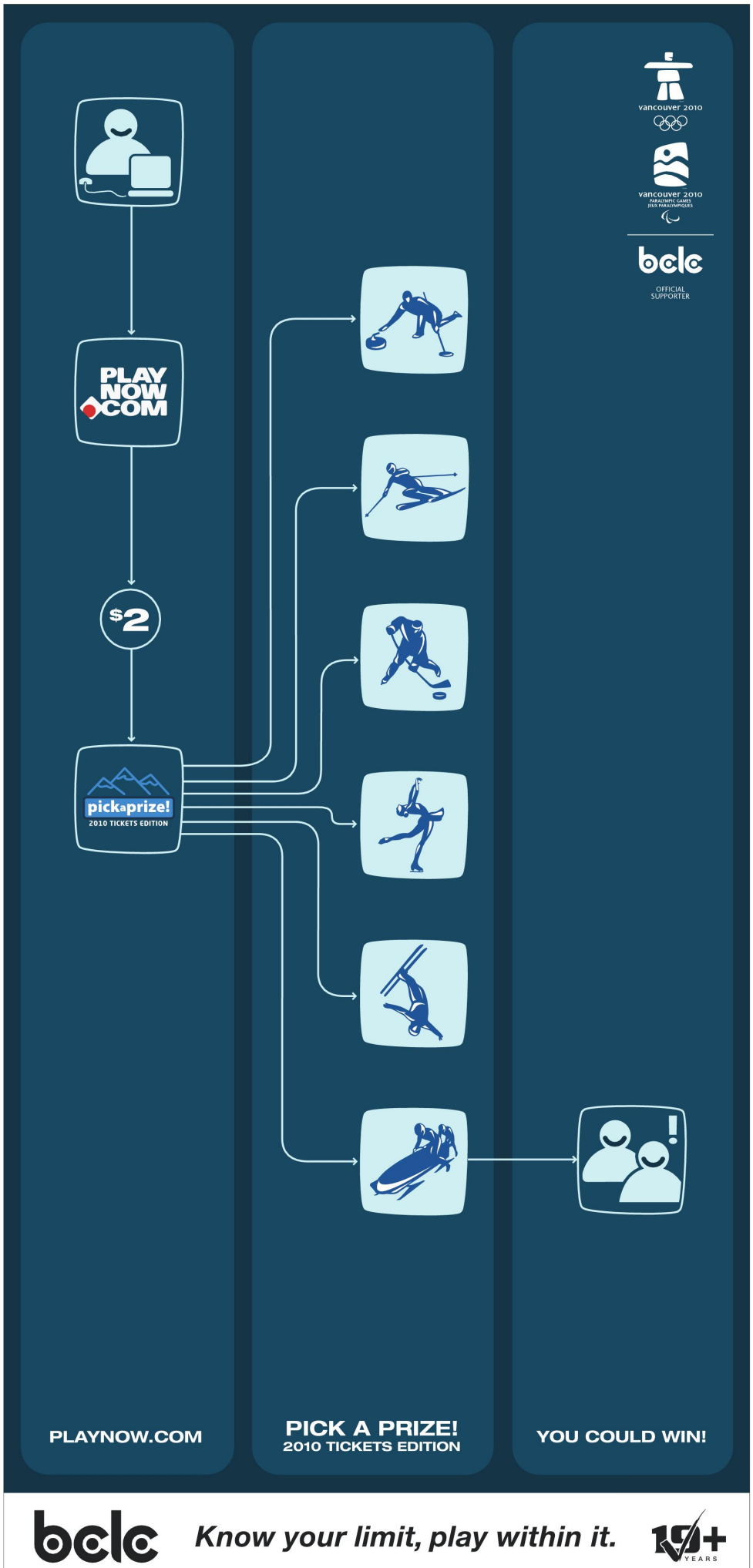

Saturday, be aware of a killer disease

250 million worldwide have been touched by diabetes

HEATHER BUCHAN
For Metro Canada

Saturday is the 18th annual World Diabetes Day.

It's an international day designed to spotlight a disease that affects about 250 million people worldwide.

Nov. 14 was chosen in homage to the birth of Canada's Sir Frederick Banting, whose work — along with Dr. Charles Best — led to the discovery of insulin in 1922 at the University of Toronto.

About 41,000 Canadians die each year as a result of diabetes — generally from a stroke or heart disease.

"Diabetes is the third most frequently diagnosed disease by physicians in Canada."
Dr. Stewart Harris

And there are an alarming number of Canadians developing Type 2 diabetes, the most common variation.

By next year, about three million Canadians will have diabetes, draining $15.6 billion from the health-care system annually.

"Diabetes is the third most frequently diagnosed disease by physicians in Canada," said Dr. Stewart Harris, lead investigator for the National Diabetes Management Strategy.

Several factors cause the high diabetes rate, experts say:

- An aging population.
- Rising obesity rates.
- Increasingly sedentary lifestyles.

Prevention

- Type 2 diabetes can be prevented or delayed, experts say, by simple measures: Increasing physical activity, losing weight (about five to seven per cent of your body weight) and eating more healthfully.

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Insurance companies fined
Spanish regulators said Thursday they have fined six European insurance companies a total of $180 million US for fixing prices on building-defect coverage during the Spanish housing boom. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

World

Drug lord makes Forbes power list

Forbes Magazine has added drug lord Joaquin (El Chapo) Guzman — the most wanted man in Mexico — to its list of the 67 World's Most Powerful People. At No. 41 on the list, Guzman, left, is ahead of presidents like Russia's Dmitry Medvedev, France's Nicolas Sarkozy and Venezuela's Hugo Chavez. "This ranking is intended to be the beginning of a conversation, not the final word," the magazine said in accompanying article. "Do despicable criminals like billionaire Mexican drug lord Joaquin Guzman ... belong on this list at all?" THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Gaza Strip **Women militants in training**

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A woman militant in the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine takes care of one of her children in a house of a fighter in the Gaza Strip, Thursday. Approximately 40 women started training for the DFLP six months ago as a response to Israel's January offensive.

News in brief

WASHINGTON U.S. President Barack Obama rejected the Afghan war options before him and asked for revisions, his defence secretary said Thursday, after the U.S. ambassador argued that a significant troop increase would only prop up a weak, corruption-tainted government.

TIME Russian President Dmitry Medvedev suggested Thursday reducing the number of time zones in the country. There are currently 11 time zones.

MIDDLE EAST Palestinian officials on Thursday recommended calling off January's presidential vote, which could result in President Mahmoud Abbas staying in office indefinitely. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Vatican looks to get tech-savvy

VATICAN CITY Executives from Facebook, Wikipedia and Google are attending a Vatican meeting to brief officials and Catholic bishops about the Internet and digital youth culture.

The symposium, which opened Thursday and runs through Sunday, also will address Internet copyright issues and hacking.

Pope Benedict XVI has tried to bring the Vatican into the Internet age by launching a YouTube channel earlier this year.

Officials say he also emails and surfs the web.

But the Vatican's online shortcomings have been woefully apparent.

Earlier this year, the Pope made clear he was disappointed that Vatican officials hadn't done a simple Internet search to discover the Holocaust-denying comments of ultraconservative bishop Richard Williamson, whose excommunication he had lifted. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Ministers arraigned

Police continue search for bodies in child sex abuse case

Five family members charged in a child sex abuse case in western Missouri made their first court appearance Thursday while crews resumed scouring the property where some of the abuse allegedly occurred years ago.

The five men, wearing orange jumpsuits and shackled at their wrists, waists and ankles, appeared downcast as judge John Frerking read the charges against them, including forcible sodomy, rape with a child younger than 12 and use of a child in a sexual performance. The allegations, which include bestiality, forcing children into fake marriages with relatives and making an 11-year-old have an abortion, date from 1988 to 1995.

Authorities resumed a search Thursday at a rural property where members of the family once lived. They believe they may find a body or bodies and buried glass jars with notes written by children who may have documented sexual abuse.

Three of the five men are lay ministers in the Community of Christ church whose licenses have been suspended, church spokeswoman Linda L. Booth said.

Cpl. Bill Lowe of the Missouri State Highway Patrol said a 26-year-old woman came forward to investigators in mid-August with the allegations.

The woman also claimed some of the men forced her to have sex with a dog and to watch as her brother was abused. The Community of Christ, headquartered in Missouri, split from The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in 1860 and was known as the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints until 2001. It has about 250,000 members worldwide. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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U.S. deficit hits record $176.4B for October
The U.S. Treasury Department said Thursday that the deficit for October totalled $176.4 billion US, even higher than the $150 billion imbalance that economists expected. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Hasan charged

Obama orders intelligence review of accused Fort Hood gunman

The U.S. Army psychiatrist accused in the Fort Hood shootings was charged with 13 counts of premeditated murder in the military's legal system, making him eligible for the death penalty if convicted, officials said Thursday.

Hasan

Meanwhile, President Barack Obama ordered a review of all intelligence related to Maj. Nidal Malik Hasan and whether it was properly shared and acted upon within individual government agencies. The announcement comes as members of U.S. Congress are pressuring for a full investigation in why Hasan was not detected and stopped. A Senate hearing on Hasan is scheduled for next week. The Senate Homeland Security Committee announced it is opening its own investigation this week.

U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Command spokesman Chris Grey said at a news conference that additional charges may be filed against Hasan.

Officials told The Associated Press that it had not been decided whether to charge Hasan with a 14th count of murder related to the death of the unborn child of a pregnant shooting victim.

The officials spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to speak about the case publicly. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

13 Counts of murder that Maj. Nidal Malik Hasan has been charged with, making him eligible for the death penalty under U.S. military law.

Life always looks more fun in **Australia**

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Some of the more than 200 bikini and brief swimsuit-clad participants arrive before they attempt to gain entry into the Guinness Book of World Records on Thursday in Sydney, as the largest swimwear parade at one time.

Couple to plead guilty in balloon hoax

COLORADO The parents who reported their six-year-old son floated away aboard a helium balloon will plead guilty to some charges so that the family can stay together, the attorney for the boy's father said Thursday.

Richard Heene will plead guilty in the alleged Oct. 15 hoax to attempting to influence a public servant, a felony, his attorney David Lane said. Mayumi Heene — a Japanese citizen who could have been deported if convicted of more serious charges — will plead guilty to false reporting to authorities, a misdemeanour, he said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

News in brief

INTELLIGENCE The CIA has won a months-long bureaucratic dispute with the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, assuring the primacy of CIA personnel over U.S. intelligence operations around the world. CIA Director Leon Panetta and National Intelligence Director Dennis Blair squared off in May over the issue. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Diplomats puzzled by Iranian facility

NUCLEAR Iran's recently revealed uranium enrichment hall is a highly fortified underground space that appears too small to house a civilian nuclear program, but large enough to serve for military activities, diplomats said Thursday. Both the construction timeline and the size of the facility are significant in helping shed light on Tehran's true nuclear intentions. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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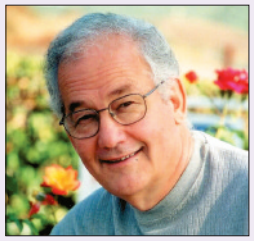

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Survey says 10 companies tops

Telus Corp., Corus Entertainment and Wal-Mart Canada are among the 2009 top 10 "most admired" corporate cultures in Canada, a new survey shows.

The list, compiled by executive search firm Waterstone Human Capital, ranked Canadian companies with strong corporate cultures, despite the economic downturn.

Companies on this year's list outpaced the S&P/TSX by an average of more than 300 per cent in the past three years, the survey said.

"This proves that an outstanding corporate culture has a significant impact on performance, and that culture is an incredibly valuable asset," said Waterstone managing director Marty Parker.

"What this tells us is that if an organization's culture is strong, even with a major downturn, it outperforms the majority of its peers."
Marty Parker, Waterstone

Other companies on the list include; Acklands-Grainger Inc., Aviva Insurance Company of Canada, Ceridian Canada Ltd., Fairmont Hotels and Resorts, GoodLife Fitness, Medavie Blue Cross and Starbucks Coffee Canada.

Waterstone compiled data using results from each of the public and private companies on the list, and compared it to the S&P/TSX 60.

The results show the S&P/TSX compound annual growth rate was 3.8 per cent from December 2005 to December 2008. That compares to a growth rate of 12 per cent for the ten companies on the list over the same time period.

"What this tells us is that if an organization's culture is strong, even with a major downturn, it outperforms the majority of its peers," Parker said.

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Gaming **Record-breaking sales**

FILE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

In this file video game image released by Activision, a scene from Call of Duty: Modern Warfare 2 is shown. First-day sales of Activision Blizzard Inc.'s Call of Duty: Modern Warfare 2 broke records, raking in an estimated $310 million US in North America and the United Kingdom alone.

Job loss faster than '81, '90s: StatsCan

EMPLOYMENT A new report says employment declined much faster in the early months of the current economic downturn than it did early in the recessions of 1981 and 1990.

But the analysis by Statistics Canada found employment levels in the next seven months of the current downturn were relatively stable, while employment had continued to decline in previous downturns.

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Add ear plugs as Olympic accessory

UrbanCompass

The Vancouver Police Department has just bought an LRAD 500X, a device capable of directing an ear-splitting sound burst of up to 150 decibels, louder than standing next to an air raid siren or a 737 taking off.

Similar devices have been used to ward off pirates on the high seas, dispel crowds at September's G20 Summit in Pittsburgh, by the U.S. military to maintain order in an Iraqi prison camp, against protesters in Tbilisi, Georgia, by the freedom-loving People's Republic of China, the government of Honduras, and the Japanese whaling fleet to discourage the Sea Shepherd Society from attacking its boats.

The LRAD 500X looks a little bit like a satellite dish mounted on a swivel, with handles that allow the operator to point it directly at the, uh, target. Here's what the manufacturer has to say: "LRAD 500X operators have the ability to issue clear, authoritative verbal commands, followed with powerful deterrent tones to enhance response capabilities."

The VPD cheerfully advises us not to worry. The LRAD (Long Range Acoustic Device) will be used only as a loudspeaker, and "any suggestions that the device will be used as a weapon or characterizations of it as a sonic gun are ridiculous."

Well, that's a relief, considering that ear pain begins at about 130 decibels and ear drums rupture at 160.

So far, the VPD has only used it to communicate with crowds at the Celebration of Light fireworks festival, but a VPD spokesman has refused to rule out enhancing our response capabilities: "This device could be used if the situation arose ... We can't rule out anything," Const. Lindsey Houghton told a local reporter.

The ever-vigilant B.C. Civil Liberties Association is not reassured by the VPD, and wonders if the LRAD was purchased to blast Olympic protesters into submission, but Chief Const. Jim Chu dismisses that idea:

"It is understandable that there may be some people opposed to the Games who wish to use fear to rally others to their cause. Creating fear about the use of a public address system seems to fall into this category."

So this high-tech supersonic whistle will only be used for peaceful information-dissemination purposes. But if you don't get — or don't heed — the message, the VPD reserves the right to follow that up with "powerful deterrent tones" to enhance your response capabilities.

That Big Brother. Now his bark is as bad as his bite.

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Views

A world where what you see is what you get

Susie Mowers

We know how "the game" works. More importantly, we know that anyone in their late 20s who still plays "the game" is still single — because all the straight-up people who never played games are long gone and happily married. Games don't work. We know this.

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So we befriend guys. We hang with guys. We like their tell-it-like-it-is mantra and, yeah, we try to adopt it and make it our own. And we do. Quite successfully. And it's always spectacular, until "it" happens. And it *always* happens.

Flashback to last Tuesday. Ben and I are in the boardroom and we're talking hockey.

"You want to go to the game?" he asks.

"Sure!" I say.

Mistake No. 1.

I check with my roommate that this is not a date. I'm under the impression we're going because we're friends and we like the same team. Mistake No. 2.

The non-date goes superbly and we bid our adieus on the subway. And then this: "Had a great time. Next time — dinner?"

I curse. It's the ambiguous date invitation. Just when you *swore* things were cool. *Friendly.*

Flash forward to Friday when a colleague I consider a dear friend professed his love for me. His motive for confessing? If I was so straightforward, he could learn to be, too.

See, this isn't necessarily what we're after. But it's what *always* happens. And it makes me wonder: Is too straight-up a downfall?

Women, this is your call to action. (Read: Our plea). Let us off the hook. Quit the games. Tell it like it is. Say what you feel. Don't analyze.

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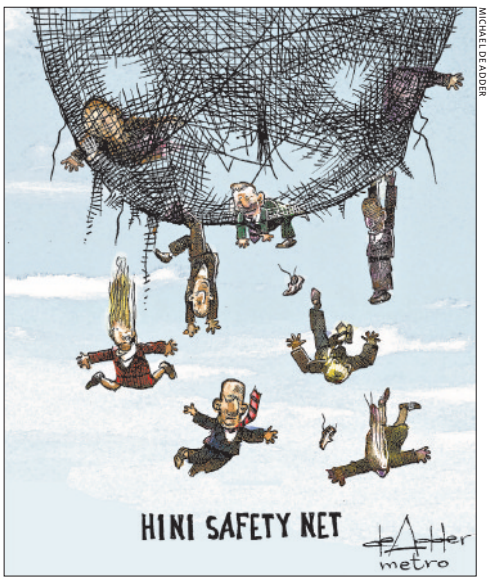

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Rose grabs top spot on leaderboard; Ames places 21st

Justin Rose shot a 7-under 65 in the opening round of the Children's Miracle Network Classic Thursday, for the top spot on the leaderboard. Calgary's Stephen Ames is in 21st. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Sports

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Detroit Red Wings goalie Jimmy Howard watches as the tip-in from Vancouver Canucks left wing Mason Raymond, being checked by Detroit Red Wings defenceman Brad Stuart, scores during the second period of Thursday's game in Detroit.

Canucks drop third straight

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Henrik Zetterberg scored midway through the third period and Jimmy Howard made 31 saves, giving the Detroit Red Wings a 3-1 victory over the Vancouver Canucks on Thursday night.

Zetterberg took a long pass from Brad Stuart, slipped past the defence and lifted a backhander over Roberto Luongo's left shoulder for his team-leading 17th point.

Luongo made 26 saves in his first start since facing Detroit on Oct. 27 when he aggravated a broken rib. After Luongo was pulled for an extra skater, Niklas Kronwall cleared the puck from the Red Wings' end, got a fortunate bounce off the boards and it trickled into the empty net.

Tomas Holmstrom gave Detroit a 1-0 lead late in the first period. Vancouver's Mason Raymond tied it in the second.

Detroit won its third consecutive home game and is 5-1 after a .500 start.

The Canucks have lost three in row and close a five-game road trip Saturday at Colorado.

Vancouver outplayed the Red Wings for much of the game, but left Joe Louis Arena without much to show for it.

The Canucks outshot Detroit 15-5 in the first period and after an evenly played second period, they controlled the action in the third until Zetterberg scored at the eight-minute mark.

Detroit lost players in the off-season who combined to score 88 goals. Zetterberg, Holmstrom and Pavel Datsyuk have produced enough to make the defending Western Conference champions competitive after struggling early in the season.

Holmstrom had eight goals and three assists in his previous 11 games, producing like the player he was before injuries led to him missing 29 games and scoring just 14 times last season.

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Hordichuk hit with suspension

- The NHL handed down an automatic one-game suspension to Vancouver Canucks forward Darcy Hordichuk and fined head coach Alain Vigneault $10,000 US on Thursday.

Hordichuk was assessed an instigator penalty after fighting Cam Janssen in the third period of Tuesday's 6-1 loss to the St. Louis Blues, triggering the ban.

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Wetteland resting in hospital

Former all-star closer John Wetteland was resting at home Thursday night after a trip to a hospital, where the Seattle Mariners say he was treated for an elevated heart rate. Authorities responded to a 9-1-1 call from Wetteland's home in the afternoon. Wetteland just finished his first season as Seattle's bullpen coach. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Webster advances to Games trials

Calgary's Crystal Webster advanced to next month's Olympic curling trials with a 9-7 victory over Kelly Scott of Kelowna, B.C., on Thursday.

Webster, the women's seventh seed, is the only team to go undefeated in the pre-trials competition, earning victories over Amber Holland of Kronau, Sask., Sherry Middaugh of Coldwater, Ont., and Ottawa's Rachel Homan to reach the A final.

There, she struck quickly against the top-ranked Scott rink, scoring four with the hammer in the opening end. Scott, the 2007 world champion, responded with two in the second, and singles in the third and fourth ends to tie the game.

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The teams traded deuces in the fifth and sixth ends, and single points in the seventh and eighth.

After a blank in the ninth end, Webster picked Kelly's rock out of the house in the 10th end to score the deciding two points.

Scott dropped to the B side, where she'll face Quebec's Marie-France Larouche in a semifinal match.

Holland will face Krista McCarville of Thunder Bay, Ont., in the other semifinal, with the winners squaring off to determine the second entrant into the Olympic trials held next month in Edmonton.

Two additional teams will qualify out of the C bracket.

In men's action Thursday, Ted Appelman of Edmonton downed Brad Gushue of St. John's, N.L., 7-6, Jason Gunnlaugson of Beausejour, Man., beat Joel Jordison of Moose Jaw, Sask., 5-4, and Winnipeg's Kerry Burtnyk upended Greg McAulay of Richmond, B.C., 6-5.

Jordison and McAulay were eliminated with the losses.

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Healthy Casey Printers sends deep threat message to Lions receivers

CFL PREVIEW

B.C. at Hamilton

B.C. AT TIGER-CATS

FOOTBALL Slotback Paris Jackson lengthened his stride and leaned forward just enough to make a fingertip grab as the ball spiralled over his head.

In a game it would have been a big gain. In Thursday's practice it was quarterback Casey Printers sending a message to his B.C. Lions receiving corps.

Printers wondered whether he could grip a football at the beginning of the week. Now, he's overthrowing receivers as he prepares for the Hamilton Tiger-Cats in the CFL's East Division semifinal.

"The thumb's fine," said Printers who sprained the digit early in Saturday's 45-13 loss to the Edmonton Eskimos.

"I wanted to let them (receivers) know by throwing it too far that, hey, it's fine, so you need to get on your horse."

Printers, who played two seasons for Hamilton but was not re-signed after 2008, joined the Lions as a free agent in September when B.C. ran into a rash of quarterback injuries.

On Saturday night they were down to Zac Champion, their fifth-string signal-caller, after Printers left and Buck Pierce couldn't continue because of a chronic shoulder injury.

Jackson said Printers is throwing the ball with velocity and getting more comfortable with the offence.

"A few of his balls definitely made my hands shake a little bit," Jackson said.

"Right now, he's just got to focus a little bit on getting the ball out a little bit faster and us pushing our routes a little bit deeper.

"Over the weeks, we've been getting better, better, better and this week we're going to jell great."

Printers, the CFL's most outstanding player in 2004 with the Lions, said he felt hamstrung by Hamilton's ball-control offence and he's a better fit with B.C.

"It was drive, drive, drive, drive, then score," Printers said of his two years in Hamilton after a season on the sidelines of the NFL Kansas City Chiefs. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Sports in brief

SPEEDSKATING Canada will be able to enter the maximum three athletes in each the men's and women's 500-metre short-track speedskating events at the 2010 Vancouver Olympics after a successful opening day Thursday at the World Cup stop in Marquette, Mich. Charles Hamelin, Francois-Louis Tremblay and Olivier Jean all qualified for Saturday's heats in the men's 500, while Marianne St-Gelais, Jessica Gregg and Kalyna Roberge all qualified in the women's event.

GOLF Tiger Woods lived up to eight months of hype Thursday by running off three straight birdies late in his round for a 6-under 66 that gave him a share of the lead in the Australian Masters. Playing for the first time Down Under in 11 years, before an enormous gallery only seen at major championships, Woods putted for birdie on every hole until the last one.

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Germany goalkeeper Robert Enke's burial set for Sunday

SOCCER Robert Enke, the Germany goalkeeper who was killed after throwing himself in front of a train, will be buried Sunday in a small ceremony near his home following a memorial service at the Hannover stadium.

Robert Enke

Hannover spokesman Andreas Kuhnt confirmed the details Thursday, with the burial near Neustadt, outside Hannover, following Sunday morning's memorial service.

The entire national team will attend the service, the German football federation said, and will be joined by former coaches Juergen Klinsmann and Rudi Voeller, along with several players not in the current Germany squad.

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Hornets sack Scott
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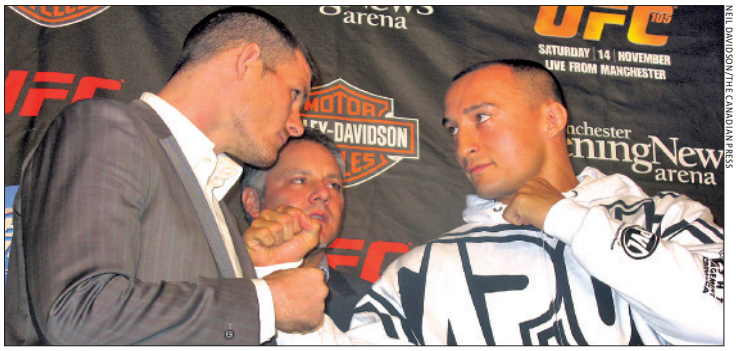

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Michael Bisping, left, and Canadian middleweight Denis Kang square off at Thursday's news conference for UFC 105 in Manchester, England.

Erasing bad memories

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It's impossible to look at Michael Bisping and not picture Dan Henderson's right fist turning his smug mug into a cubist painting — the eyes rolling back, the nose flattening, the jaw shifting violently sideways.

It was one of the most brutal knockouts in UFC history, compounded by Henderson's flying forearm across his unconscious opponent's chin, and it would have left an ordinary person eating through a straw for weeks.

So the biggest question that Saturday's UFC 105 will answer isn't whether Mike Swick will earn his title shot against Georges St. Pierre, but how will the once-cocky Bisping respond when he steps back into the octagon for the first time since being literally turned into a punchline four months ago?

Bisping will face Canadian Denis Kang in a crucial middleweight bout for both fighters. Bisping was on track for a title shot until he stepped in front of the Henderson express. So he needs a win both to dispel any lingering doubts about his abilities and to stay in the hunt for champion Anderson Silva. Likewise, Kang, was unremarkable in his first two UFC bouts and needs to prove he's a legitimate threat in the weight division.

Sports in brief

FORMULA ONE Former Renault boss Flavio Briatore will demand one million euros ($1.56 million Cdn) in damages from Formula One's world governing body when he appeals against his indefinite ban from the sport later this month. The Guardian newspaper on Thursday said Briatore will also say that former FIA president Max Mosley was "blinded by an excessive desire for personal revenge" when the governing body handed down the ban in September. The Guardian said it had seen documents that outlined Briatore's appeal. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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N.Y. Rangers	19	10	8	1	21
Tampa Bay	16	7	4	5	19
Ottawa	16	8	6	2	18
Boston	17	8	7	2	18
N.Y. Islanders	18	6	6	6	18
Atlanta	15	8	6	1	17
Montreal	18	8	10	0	16
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Detroit	17	9	5	3	21
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Indianapolis	8	0	0	1.000
Houston	5	4	0	.556
Jacksonville	4	4	0	.500
Tennessee	2	6	0	.250

NORTH

	W	L	T	PCT
Cincinnati	6	2	0	.750
Pittsburgh	6	2	0	.750
Baltimore	4	4	0	.500
Cleveland	1	7	0	.125

WEST

	W	L	T	PCT
Denver	6	2	0	.750
San Diego	5	3	0	.625
Oakland	2	6	0	.250
Kansas City	1	7	0	.125

NFC

EAST

	W	L	T	PCT
Dallas	6	2	0	.750
Philadelphia	5	3	0	.625
N.Y. Giants	5	4	0	.556
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SOUTH

	W	L	T	PCT
New Orleans	8	0	0	1.000
Atlanta	5	3	0	.625
Carolina	3	5	0	.375
Tampa Bay	1	7	0	.125

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	W	L	T	PCT
Minnesota	7	1	0	.875
Green Bay	4	4	0	.500
Chicago	4	4	0	.500
Detroit	1	7	0	.125

WEST

	W	L	T	PCT
Arizona	5	3	0	.625
San Francisco	3	5	0	.375
Seattle	3	5	0	.375
St. Louis	1	7	0	.125

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Houston	5	3	.625	-
San Antonio	4	3	.571	½
New Orleans	3	6	.333	2½
Memphis	1	8	.111	4½

NORTHWEST DIVISION

	W	L	PCT	GB
Denver	6	3	.667	-
Portland	6	3	.667	-
Oklahoma City	4	4	.500	1½
Utah	3	5	.375	2½
Minnesota	1	8	.111	5

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Sports in brief

OLYMPICS ESPN secured the South American broadcast rights to the 2010 and 2012 Olympics Thursday in a deal worth about $10 million US. ESPN takes over from the Iberoamericana Television Organization (OTI) group of networks, which broadcast each summer Olympics since the 1992 Barcelona Games. The rights, sold by the International Olympic Committee, cover the 2010 Vancouver Games and the 2012 London Olympics.

HOCKEY NHL commissioner Gary Bettman reinstated Henry Samueli as owner of the Anaheim Ducks Thursday, lifting a ban imposed two summers ago after the billionaire philanthropist's guilty plea to a felony count of lying to the Securities and Exchange Commission. Samueli's wife Susan also returned to active status as co-owner of the Ducks. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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United manager suspended

Manchester United manager Sir Alex Ferguson has been banned from the bench for four games and fined 20,000 pounds ($34,700 Cdn) for criticizing the fitness of referee Alan Wiley after a Premier League game. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Cowboys and alpine medals

Like the Crazy Canucks, the Canadian Cowboys have Olympic glory in sight

The time is at hand. In the Canadian West they are praying for snow and alpine glory. The Olympics on the home hill are just around the corner.

Dark horses and Canadian cowboys are licking their chops at what might happen on the first day of competition. The men's downhill is one of the most coveted prizes at any Olympics and in Whistler it could mean an early end to the drought that has seen Canada emerge from hosting two sets of Games without earning a gold medal.

"Depth means if the guy who is supposed to win doesn't, then there's someone else to back him up," said Ken Read of the current men's speed team. "It means you're not relying on just one guy."

Read knows.

As the leader of the Crazy Canucks, he was touted to win a medal — maybe gold — at the 1980 Olympics in Lake Placid. That was until his binding popped off just out of the start gate. No matter, Steve Podborski, his younger teammate, came through with bronze and became a Canadian legend in the process.

This time, the Canadians will send a full complement of downhill demons to the start gate at Whistler. They have four spots in the elite field and the team that unabashedly refers to itself as the Canadian Cowboys, has five guys who will scrap for a chance to be on the roster that could win on friendly soil.

The list is impressive.

Erik Guay of Mont Tremblant, Que., has scored ten World Cup podium finishes. Calgary's John Kucera is the current World champion. Manny Osborne-Paradis has won before and is physically suited to the course. Robbie Dixon grew up skiing at Whistler. He's young, hungry and on the rise.

Which leaves Jan Hudec. A former World Championship silver medallist and champion of the World Cup at Lake Louise, Hudec is coming off his sixth reconstructive knee surgery. He's the dark horse, but completely undaunted.

"The Canadians will send a full complement of downhill demons to the start gate at Whistler."

"It hurt," Hudec admitted of his latest operation, which robbed him of the pre-Olympic season.

"It hurt emotionally, physically, mentally and spiritually, but if the pain gets me to the Olympics it will have been worth it."

Revealing words — gutsy..

It all means dark horses and Canadian cowboys are in for a wild ride at Whistler come February.

Sports in brief

SILVER SLUGGERS Second baseman Aaron Hill and designated hitter Adam Lind of the Toronto Blue Jays were awarded the American League silver slugger awards for their positions on Thursday. Hill hit 36 home runs, 37 doubles and drove in 108 runs while posting a .286 batting average in 2009. Lind hit 35 home runs, 46 doubles, 114 RBIs and had a batting average of .305.

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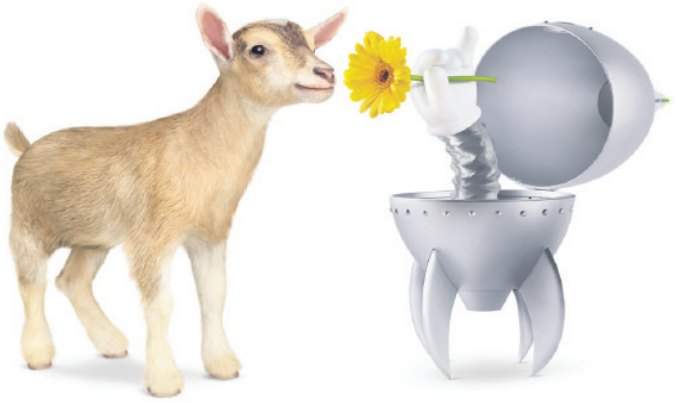

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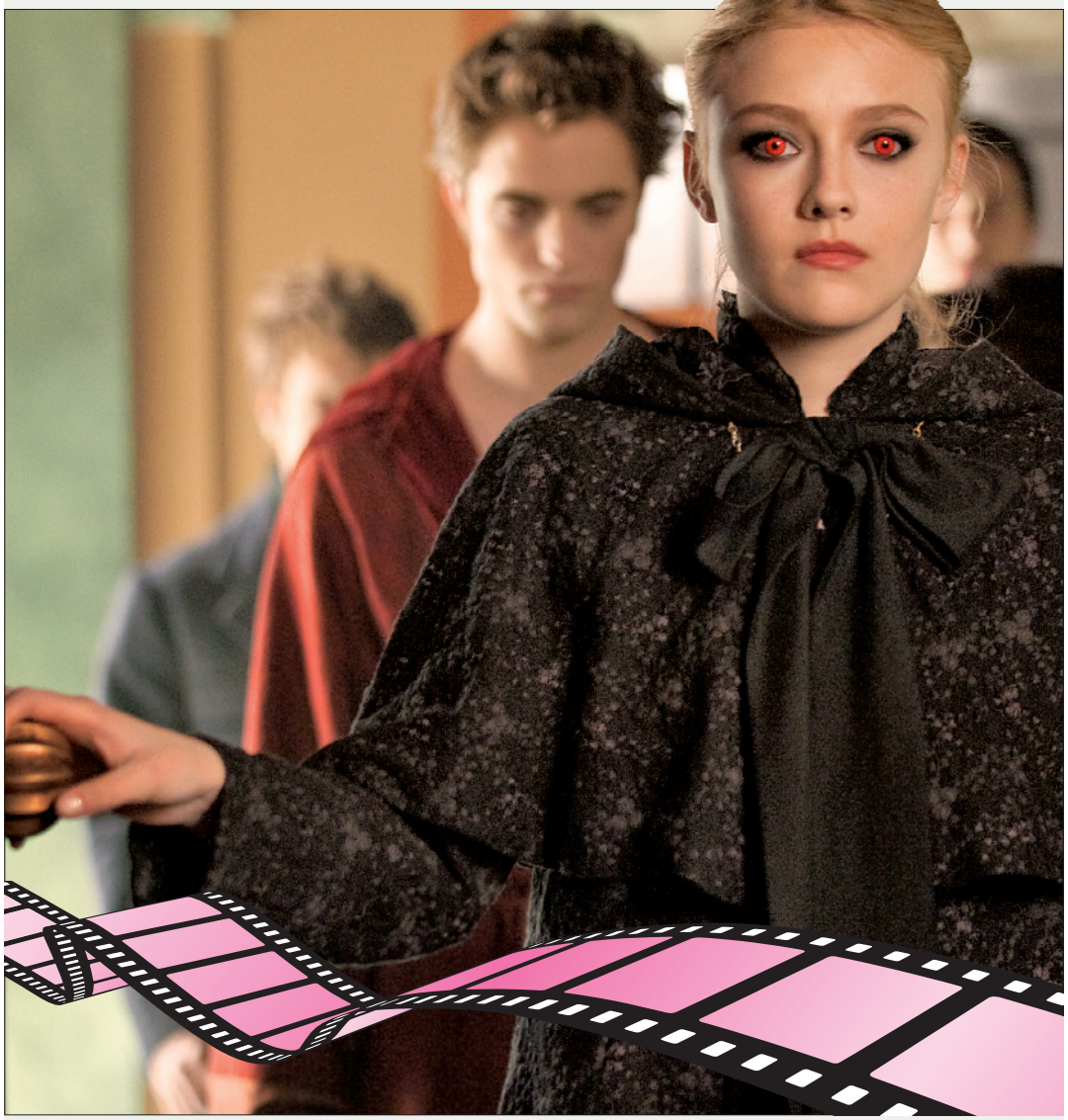

Dakota Fanning talks about her roll as a member of the dangerous Volturi in the upcoming The Twilight Saga: New Moon.

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Fanning showing teeth

Child star plays dreaded vampire in New Moon

NED EHRBAR
Metro World News

When child star and avid Twilight fan Dakota Fanning signed on to play on of the dreaded Volturi in New Moon, the second film in the blockbuster vampire franchise, she knew what she was looking forward to most: Wearing those creepy red contact lenses.

"I was really excited about that," the 15-year-old says. "It makes anyone look automatically kind of evil."

For newcomers, the colour of the eyes of Twilight vampires denote what kind of blood they feed on — golden for animal blood, red for human. Scary as they are, though, they couldn't be terribly comfortable, right?

"You get used to it after awhile," Fanning says. "You can see pretty good, but it's still kind of weird."

Fanning's vampire, Jane, is one of the most feared in the four-book series by Stephenie Meyer. She is an angelic-looking young lady with the power to cause people intense pain just by glancing at them.

"It was fun to get to play a kind of feared character, something different from what I've done before," Fanning admits. "She uses her power not for good, which was another thing that was kind of interesting to me."

The idea of having some kind of special ability piqued Fanning's interest as well.

"If I could have any power, it would be to read people's thoughts," she admits.

Of course, joining a franchise already in progress can be tough, especially when it's something as successful as the Twilight series.

"With a cast that already knew each other really well, you always are kind of the new kid coming in," Fanning says. "But they were just so nice and so welcoming and just a really great cast. So it was hard to be starstruck, even though you're such big fans of them and excited to meet them. But they're just so nice and you become friends pretty quick."

New Moon hits theatres next week

Dakota Fanning stars in New Moon, the sequel to the box-office smash Twilight.

On the web

• Visit metronews.ca to meet more of the fearsome Volturi vampire clan in a Metro-exclusive video featurette.

She particularly became friends with series star Kristen Stewart, which was convenient since the two young actresses would end up spending much of the last year together, co-starring in New Moon and Eclipse as well as the upcoming Runaways, about the all-girl punk band where Joan Jett got her start.

"It was really great making Runaways with her after New Moon," Fanning says.

"We became really good friends and really close throughout all the experiences we've had this year. I couldn't ask for a better person to do three movies in a row with than her."

"It was fun to get to play a kind of feared character, something different from what I've done before. She uses her power not for good, which was another thing that was kind of interesting to me."
Dakota Fanning

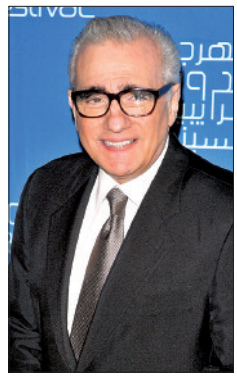
Having been acting since a tender age, Fanning has been trying to get as much of a normal adolescence as possible — and she was recently crowned homecoming princess at her L.A.-area high school. "I'm a junior, so you can't be the queen," she explains.

"I think it's really great to have that balance," Fanning says.

"I was lucky that I was able to go to a school that lets me leave."

But she as successful as she's been at balancing her two worlds, she doesn't necessarily have a lot advice for other young actors.

"I don't know if there's a how-to guide to how I balance it," she admits. "It's just kind of happened."



Martin Scorsese

Scorsese up for DeMille award

HONOUR Director Martin Scorsese is receiving the Cecil B. DeMille Award for lifetime achievement at the Golden Globes.

The award will be presented to Scorsese at the 67th annual Globes on Jan. 17.

Scorsese turns 67 next week and is an Academy Award winner for directing on The Departed and a two-time Golden Globe winner for that film and Gangs of New York. He also was nominated for Oscars and Globes for such films as Raging Bull, Goodfellas and The Aviator.

Past winners of the DeMille award include last year's recipient, Steven Spielberg, along with Warren Beatty, Anthony Hopkins and Michael Douglas.

Nominations come out Dec. 15 for the Globes, Hollywood's second-biggest film honours after the Oscars. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Long shows nerdy side in Planet 51

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Metro World News

FEATURE Justin Long is no stranger to being animated — he voices Alvin in the Alvin and the Chipmunks movies, after all — but playing a little green man in Planet 51 was still a new experience for him.

Luckily his character, Lem, the awkward teen who discovers and hides an alien (actually a U.S. astronaut voiced by Dwayne Johnson), was easy for Long to relate to.

"I was — shockingly — a bit of a nerd in high school," Long admits. "I was a little socially awkward. I wasn't as smart, though, sadly. Lem is a lot brighter than me."

The biggest surprise for Long was how much work he had to do to manipulate his voice to play Lem in the film, which opens next week.

"We did the movie over the course of several years, during which time I went through puberty, apparently," Long says with a laugh. "My voice coach said that my voice over the last couple of years has gotten deeper. I don't know what happened. But I was playing a teenager, so I pitched up."

Justin Long voices the character of nerdy teen Lem, left, in Planet 51.

With 11 film credits in 2009 alone, Long has been busy — and that doesn't count those Mac ads or his occasional pop-ins at Saturday Night Live.

He's been seen in a number of comedies, including He's Just Not That Into You and Funny People, but what really got the young actor some attention this year was his work in Sam Raimi's Drag Me to Hell. But Long's just happy he didn't stink up the screen.

"My biggest fear was just being caught in a dishonest moment. There's nothing worse than bad horror acting," he says.

"I have such a respect for actors who are able to give such convincing horror movie performances. It really is exhausting, because it's your whole body. It is just gruelling. You go home every night so drained emotionally. But in Drag Me to Hell, it was really Alison Lohman. I was just the boyfriend."

"I gesticulate a lot, usually very effeminately."
Actor Justin Long

And Long says he's looking forward to more animation — he'll be heard soon in Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel — because he doesn't have to worry so much about his hands.

"I gesticulate a lot, usually very effeminately," he jokes. "It was a nice freedom to have in the room. I could just kind of wildly use my hands and body and not be afraid of what it looked like."

Travolta, Cruise eye Butch Cassidy
John Travolta and Tom Cruise, right, are keen to remake Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid. The Pulp Fiction actor has been talking to Cruise about the project. FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK

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Liquor-filled foray into mad misogyny

I Hope They Serve **Beer in Hell**

Director: Bob Gosse
Stars: Matt Czuchry
Classification: STC
Rating: ½

CHRIS ALEXANDER
for Metro Canada

Beneath the vile, reprehensible misogynistic sludge that drips wholesale from blogger Tucker Max's first feature film, I Hope They Serve Beer in Hell, is a fascinating portrait of a real life delusional narcissistic sociopath and the brain dead plebs who follow his lead.

The fact that this ugly picture was executive produced by psycho-loving Donnie Darko helmer Richard Kelley speaks volumes.

The film, based on Max's unfortunately best-selling book of the same name, details the misadventures the then 20-something writer (here played by actor Matt Czuchry) and his equally despicable pals encountered while on a pilgrimage to an out of town strip joint to get no-touch lap dances and, in Max's case, to hopefully sleep with a midget prostitute.

As the trio of rich, white, college boy slimeballs both hit on, verbally abuse and objectify every female in their liquor-fuelled path, much forced hilarity and scatological stupidity ensues.

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DeNiro, Keitel working on reunion
They've only made a handful of films together, but Harvey Keitel and Robert De Niro, left, are reuniting to appear in to the third film in the Meet The Parents series. EMPIREONLINE.COM

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Smitten by mama Bullock

Aaron gets over crush for role in Blind Side

NED EHRBAR
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For Quinton Aaron, the newcomer who stars as NFL rookie star Michael Oher as a teen adopted by a wealthy Memphis family, embodying gentle giant Oher's persona wasn't the hard part. It was working with his on-screen mom, Sandra Bullock.

Of course, it's bound to be difficult working with someone you've had a crush on for years.

"The whole thing was awkward because here's a beautiful woman that I'm attracted to that's playing my mamma," the Bronx native says, laughing. "I had to wrap my head around that before going into the scene." Aaron has been a Sandra Bullock fan for years, he admits.

"The whole thing was awkward because here's a beautiful woman that I'm attracted to that's playing my mamma."
Quinton Aaron

"We're talking from Love Potion No. 9. That was the first movie I saw her in," he says. "That was the first time I got a thing for her.

"One of my favorite movies with her is Speed. The first one, not the second one," he says, and he was happy to learn he wasn't alone in his dislike of Speed 2. "She said it, too," he remembers. "She didn't really care for the second one. She was like, 'Please don't tell me you liked the second one.'"

While Bullock has a long enough resume to buffer her against flops like Speed 2, The Blind Side — in theatres next Friday — is only Aaron's second film, after Michel Gondry's Be Kind Rewind, during which the young actor received a fortuitous promotion.

"I was actually a featured extra, and I ended up getting upgraded to a principle," Aaron says. "I clicked. I had a connection with the director, with Mos Def and Jack Black. They wanted me to stay around, so I stayed. I ended up working on it for a month."

Getting the lead in his second film has been a trip, he admits. "Being number one on the call sheet is a new experience," says Aaron, who is proud he approaches life on a film set differently. "I see a lot of times how stars are catered to on set, and it's cool," he says.

"But the way I look at it, if my job is not as hard, I want to do things to help people whose jobs are harder than mine. They don't have to clean up the trailer behind me. If I wanted water, I would find a cooler and get it myself instead of sending somebody running across the set for water."

Such behaviour has earned him a great reputation quickly, but that's not why he does it. "I like that more than anything, making everybody else's day good," Aaron says. "So we all leave with a good day instead of one out of the bunch."

• The Blind Side opens in theatres next week.

Sandra Bullock annmd Quinton Aaron play mother and son in The Blind Side.

Antichrist pushes boundaries

Antichrist
Director: Lars Von Trier
Stars: Willem Dafoe, Charlotte Gainsbourg
Classification: STC
Rating: ●●●½

PHIL BROWN
for Metro Canada

Cinema's leading provocateur Lars Von Trier returns with Antichrist, a film in which the director seems to be daring his audience to run out of the theatre.

The movie is alienating in almost every conceivable way. It contains some of the most graphic and unsettling images ever captured on film, while also featuring a series of oblique metaphors and symbols that are hard to grasp as well as long winded dialogue scenes that are nearly impossible to follow.

It will be despised by many, but shouldn't be ignored. As challenging as Antichrist might be, it's clearly the work of a major artist pushing the boundaries of film form, content, and good taste.

Willem Dafoe and Charlotte Gainsbourg star as an unnamed couple (billed only as "he" and "she" in the credits) whose child dies due to their negligence. Crushed by the event, the pair move to a cabin in the woods to deal with their martial woes.

Dafoe's psychiatrist attempts to help his wife deal with her problems before the situation gradually turns nasty. Antichrist is a complex film juggling a variety of issues and themes. It is at once an attack on psychiatry, a comment on the accusations of misogyny frequently thrown at Von Trier, an art house horror movie and more.

One thing the movie isn't is fun, but the tough experience does hold rewards for audiences willing to put themselves through it.

Von Trier has publicly stated that Antichrist was made during a bout of depression and that translates to the screen.

The filmmaker is clearly attacking institutions and ideas that bother him, unloading disturbing images from the deepest recesses of his brain, and deliberately punishing his audience in all the ways that a director can.

Charlotte Gainsbourg stars in Antichrist.

Serratos strips for PETA
The Twilight Saga actress Christian Serratos is the latest in a long line of celebrities to bare all for PETA's anti-fur campaign. FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK

Reel Time

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Different sides of Holocaust

Inside Hana's **Suitcase**
Director: Larry Weinstein
Stars: Fumiko Ishioka
Classification: STC
Rating: ●●●½

ADAM NAYMAN
for Metro Canada

Ostensibly an adaptation of Karen Levine's award-winning 2002 non-fiction book Hana's Suitcase — which detailed how a Japanese museum curator and an elderly Holocaust survivor were brought together by the discovery of some luggage that had belonged to the latter's younger sister before she was killed at Auschwitz — Larry Weinstein's film is ultimately most interesting as a study in different forms of cinematic representation.

Not only does Inside Hana's Suitcase include re-enactments of Hana and George Brady's childhood in pre-Second World War Czechoslovakia, it also employs Fumiko Ishioka to "play herself" in documentary-styled scenes set in 2000, when she first acquired the suitcase for Tokyo's Holocaust Education Resource Centre.

(She also appears in more conventional talking-head interviews, as does George Brady).

These distancing techniques, including the fairy-tale tinge of the period sequences, are not just displays of cinematic virtuosity. In light of recent revelations about Hana's suitcase, Weinstein is prodding us to consider different notions of "authenticity."

A scene from Inside Hana's Suitcase.

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Raimi searching for Black Cat

Sam Raimi has reportedly been auditioning female actresses to play The Black Cat in Spider Man 4. The director has met with actresses Rachel McAdams and Romala Garai, but is still casting the femme fatale. FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK

Reel Time

A CLASSIC; EXCELLENT; GOOD; FAIR; POOR

John Cusack's character battles stay alive in a world on the verge of collapse in 2012.

Apocalypse wow

2012
Director: Roland Emmerich
Stars: Joh Cusack., Amanda Peet
Classification: PG
Rating:

NED EHRBAR
Metro World News

Complaining about excess in a Roland Emmerich movie seems a bit silly, but if there's one major problem with 2012, his latest end-of-the-world bonanza, it's that it doesn't know when to say when.

There doesn't seem to be a landmark the director could say no to demolishing, be it Vatican City or the Christ the Redeemer statue in Rio de Janeiro. Even the White House, which Emmerich famously exploded in 1996's Independence Day gets wiped out again, this time by having an aircraft carrier smashed into it.

But it's not just destruction that's in excess. Narratively, 2012 is beyond bloated, with far too many characters and plot threads and far too much set up before getting to what people are really there to see.

There are many obvious sections that could've been excised to bring the running time down from its whopping two hours and 40 minutes.

Valuable screen time is wasted on a pair of aging cruise-ship crooners (George Segal and Blu Mankuma) who only seem to be in the movie to add emotional depth to a main character who has plenty already (Chiwetel Ejiofor) and as an excuse to show a cruise ship toppled by a tsunami. To be sure, Emmerich does one thing amazingly well, and that's destroy things in the most elaborate ways possible.

And in that respect, 2012 is definitely an achievement. The extended sequence of John Cusack's escape from a crumbling Los Angeles — first by speeding limousine, then by twin-engine plane — is absolutely mind-blowing, an actual thrill ride.

Emmerich peppers the movie with other gems of our heroes literally outrunning destruction, including great set pieces in Las Vegas and Yellowstone National Park.

Unfortunately, there's a whole lot of movie to wade through to get to those moments. After a brisk opening covering the time between Ejiofor's scientist's discovery of the coming cataclysm in 2009 and its early arrival in 2012, the film slows down considerably with the introduction of Cusack's down-on-his-luck writer and his glum ex-wife (Amanda Peet).

As the dialogue between science folks and world leaders gets more and more cryptic, the audience is left waiting and waiting for stuff to start falling apart.

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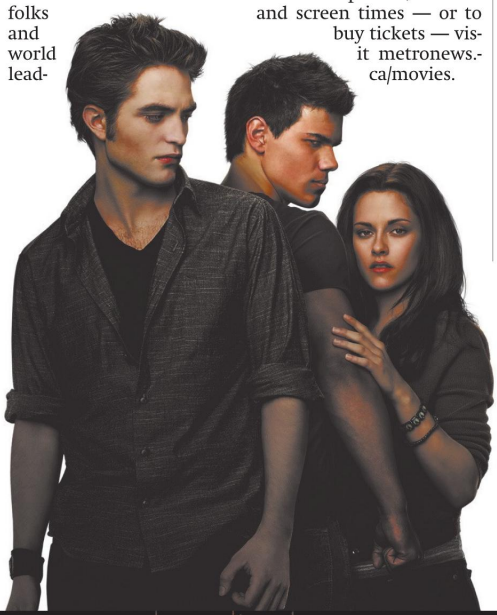

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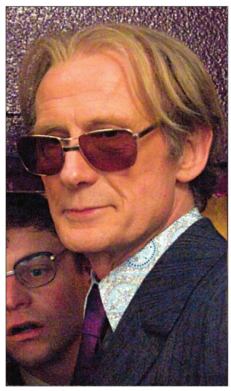
Stellar cast keeps Pirate Radio afloat

Pirate Radio
Director: Richard Curtis
Stars: Philip Seymour Hoffman, Bill Nighy
Classification: STC
Rating: ½

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada



Bill Nighy stars in the Brit comedy Pirate Radio.

REVIEW When The Boat That Rocked originally hit British theatres last spring, both reviews and reception were about as cool as the North Sea. So director Richard Curtis cut 20 minutes from the flick, renamed it Pirate Radio and is now hoping North American audiences take the bait like hungry sharks.

Known best for penning such romantic comedies as Notting Hill and Love Actually (which he also directed), Curtis here turns to the very loosely-based true story about a ship stocked with DJs who spin outlawed rock 'n' roll all day and all of the night in the mid-60s.

Led by a boisterous American expatriate (Philip Seymour Hoffman), the ragtag group decides to play on even after the British government calls a moratorium on the unregulated transmissions.

However, as fascinating as that true tidbit of recent English history may be, Curtis instead delivers an homage to the 1960s mainly focusing on the music and frivolity of the era — tossing in an over-the-top stuffed-suit (Kenneth Branagh) and lots of free-love antics that will tonally make you seasick.

In that sense, Pirate Radio doesn't broadcast much in the way of a cohesive story but instead delivers a series of random subplots, buddy moments and groovy retro tracks by the likes of The Turtles and The Kinks.

However, with its re-edited cut and an undeniably talented cast that is clearly having fun themselves, Pirate Radio stays afloat just long enough to keep from sinking altogether.

• For Pirate Radio photos, a trailer and screen times — or to buy tickets — visit metronews.ca/movies

Kunstler's story told

DOC They grew up in a home like no other — where bullets arrived in the mail and where their father went to the basement to open packages he feared could contain explosives.

That was life for the daughters of the late civil rights lawyer William Kunstler, whose clients ranged from the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. to Sheik Omar Abdel-Rahman and John Gotti. Now, his daughters are telling their stories — and bringing him back to life on film for a new generation.

The documentary, William Kunstler: Disturbing The Universe, by Emily and Sarah Kunstler, is being released at theatres in New York today and Los Angeles this month.

The sisters made the 85-minute film to tell their father's story through the eyes of young girls, who sometimes could not understand his representation of society's most despised. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Quinto headed North for rom-com
Zachary Quinto — who plays Spock in the new Star Trek — may appear in an independent Canadian romantic comedy-drama called Whirligig. EMPIREONLINE.COM

Reel Time

●●●●● A CLASSIC; ●●●● EXCELLENT; ●●● GOOD; ●● FAIR; ● POOR

No formula for super sequels

Everyone thinks they have the secret to making a great sequel. Troy Duffy, director of Boondock Saints 2: All Saints Day (in theatres this month) has a simple theory for sequel success: "Give them everything they loved about the first one inside a curveball plot they never could have seen coming."

More scientific is a study from Cass Business School in London. They've devised a mathematical formula which Professor Thorsten Hennig-Thurau says takes the risk out of the sequel business. "The idea here is to put some more analytical thinking into the process," he says.

Does this mean no more disastrously bad movies like Legally Blonde 2: Red, White & Blonde? I doubt it, but if it works, which I doubt, it might mean more Godfather II, less Psycho 4.

Sequels take a bad rap, but every now and again a good one comes along that not only equals, but improves on the original.

Toy Story II was originally a direct-to-DVD release but played so well at test screenings Pixar overhauled the film for a theatrical run. Woody, Buzz and crew became the third highest grossing film of 1999, making more money than any other animated film (including the original) to that date.

Also scoring big box office was Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban. Much darker than the first two this one saw the franchise mature without losing the appeal of the original films. Rolling Stone said it was the "most thrilling of the three Harry Potter movies to date" and it set an opening weekend box office record in the UK.

The Road Warrior, the sequel to Mad Max, boasts a rare 100 per cent Rotten Tomatoes rating.

Post-apocalyptic thriller The Road Warrior, the sequel to Mad Max, can not only boast a rare 100 per cent Rotten Tomatoes rating but also earned the Ebert stamp of approval as "one of the most relentlessly aggressive movies ever made."

On the gentler side is Before Sunset, the wonderfully romantic sequel to Before Sunrise. Set nine years after the original it sees Jesse and Celine (Ethan Hawke and Julie Delpy), the two lovers from the first film, reunited for a romantic walk through the streets of Paris before he must catch a plane back to the U.S.

Heartfelt and compelling in a way that no mathematical equation could have ever predicted (take that Professor Thorsten Hennig-Thurau!) it contains the sexiest last lines in sequel history:

"Baby, you are gonna miss that plane," she says.

"I know," he replies.

"Give them everything they loved about the first one inside a curveball plot they never could have seen coming."
Troy Duffy

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This week's new releases are highlighted in pink.

Screen Times

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VANCOUVER

OMNIMAX THEATRE SCIENCE WORLD
1455 Quebec St., 604-443-7443

Adrenaline Rush: The Science of Risk (STC) Fri-Thu 1 Sat 7:30
Beavers (STC) Fri-Thu 11-3
Journey to Mecca in the Footsteps of Ibn Battuta (STC) Fri-Thu 12-2:4 Fri-Sat
Van Gogh: Brush With Genius (STC) Fri-Thu 5 Fri 7:30

DUNBAR THEATRE
4555 Dunbar Street, 604-222-2991

2012 (PG) Fri-Sun 3-7:10:30 Mon-Thu 7:10:30

FIFTH AVENUE CINEMAS
2110 Burrard Street, 604-734-7469

Amreeka (English & Arabic w/e.s.t.) (PG) Fri-Wed 1-3:15-9 Thu 1-3:15
Coco avant Chanel (French w/e.s.t.) (PG) Fri-Sun 1:30-4:6:50-9:05 Mon 1:30-4-9:05 Tue-Thu 1:30-4-6:50-9:05
An Education (PG) Fri-Wed 2-4:15-7-9:15 Thu 2-4:15-9:15
Inside Hana's Suitcase (G) Fri-Thu 1:15-3:15-5:15-7:10
The Men Who Stare at Goats (PG) Fri-Tue 2:15-4:45-7:20-9:25 Wed 2:15-4:45-9:25 Thu 2:15-4:45-7:20-9:25
A Serious Man (PG) Fri-Thu 5:10-7:30-9:45
The Twilight Saga: New Moon (PG) Thu 10
The Yes Men Fix the World (G) Thu 7

GRANVILLE
855 Granville St., 604-684-4000

Amelia (G) Fri 6:40-9:20 Sat-Sun 12:45-3:40-6:40-9:20 Mon-Thu 5:15-8:20
Astro Boy (G) Fri 6:50 Sat-Sun 12:55-3:50-6:50 Mon-Tue 5:35 Thu 5:35
Good Hair (PG) Fri 6:45-9:30 Sat-Sun 1:10-3:45-6:45-9:30 Mon-Thu 5:30-8:30
Heer Ranjha (Punjabi w/ English Subtitles) (STC) Fri 8 Sat-Sun 12:40-4:05-8 Mon-Tue 8 Thu 8
I Hope They Serve Beer in Hell (18A) Fri 7:05-9:25 Sat-Sun 12:50-4:10-7:05-9:25 Mon-Thu 5:40-8:25
The Informant! (PG) Fri-Sun 9:35 Mon-Thu 8:35
Saw VI (18A) Fri 6:55-9:45 Sat-Sun 1:3:55-6:55-9:45 Mon-Tue 5:25-8:40 Wed 5:25 Thu 5:25-8:40
Whip It (PG) Fri 7-9:40 Sat-Sun 1:05-4-7-9:40 Mon-Thu 5:20-8:45

HOLLYWOOD THEATRE
3123 W. Broadway, 604-738-3211
hollywoodtheatre.ca

3rd Annual Vancouver Serbian Filmfest (STC) Fri
Funny People (18A) Sat 2:45-7:30 Sun 1:30-7 Mon-Thu 7
Public Enemies (14A) Sat 10 Sun 4-10 Mon-Thu 10

OAKRIDGE
650 West 41st Ave., 604-263-1944

2012 (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, No Passes Fri 8:15 Dolby Stereo Digital, No Passes Sat-Sun 1:15-4:45-8:15 Dolby Stereo Digital, No Passes Mon-Wed 5-8:30 DTS Digital, No Passes Thu 5-8:30
Couples Retreat (PG) DTS Digital Fri-Sun 9:45 DTS Digital Mon-Wed 8:15
Michael Jackson's This Is It (G) DTS Digital Fri 7:30-10 DTS Digital Sat-Sun 1:30-4:15-7:30-10 DTS Digital Mon-Thu 5:30-8
The Twilight Saga: New Moon (PG) No Passes, Dolby Stereo Digital Thu 10
Where the Wild Things Are (G) DTS Digital Fri 7:15 DTS Digital Sat-Sun 1:45-4:30-7:15 DTS Digital Mon-Wed 5:15

PACIFIC CINÉMATHÈQUE
1131 Howe Street, 604-688-3456
cinematheque.bc.ca

Cremaster 1 & 2 (STC) Sat-Sun 4
Cremaster 3 (STC) Fri 7:30 Sun 6:20
Cremaster 4 & 5 (STC) Sat 7:30 Sun 6:20-9:45
The Human Condition 3: A Soldiers Prayer (STC) Mon 7
It's Not Me, I Swear! (PG) Wed 7:30
Magnificent Obsession (STC) Tue 1
See the Voice - Visible Verse (STC) Thu 7:30

PARK THEATRE
3440 Cambie Street, 604-876-2747

Disney's A Christmas Carol 3D (G) Fri 4-7-9:10 Sat-Sun 1:45-4-7-9:10 Mon-Thu 4-7-9:10

RIDGE THEATRE
3131 Arbutus Street, 604-738-6311

Antichrist (R) Fri 4-7-9:30 Sat-Sun 1:30-4-7-9:30 Mon-Thu 4-7-9:30
Falstaff - Verdi Opera (STC) A.M. Sat 10

RIO ON BROADWAY
1660 E. Broadway, 604-878-Film
riotheatre.ca

The Breakfast Club (STC) Fri 12
Ferris Bueller's Day Off (STC) Fri
Twilight (PG) Thu 7
The Twilight Saga: New Moon (PG) Thu 10-12:30
Where the Wild Things Are (G) Sat 2-4:30 Sun 2-4:30-7-9:30 Mon-Wed 7-9:30

SCOTIABANK THEATRE VANCOUVER
900 Burrard St., 604-630-1407

2012 (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:3:40-7:20-11 No Passes Mon-Thu 12-3:40-7:20 No Passes Fri-Thu 1-4:30-8:10 No Passes Fri 11:30-3-6:50-10:30 No Passes Sat 3-6:50-10:30 No Passes Sun-Tue 11:30-3-6:50-10:30 No Passes Wed 11:30-3-10:30 No Passes Thu 11:30-3-6:50-10:30
Disney's A Christmas Carol 3D (G) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:50-12:40-2:20-4:10-4:45-6:45-7:15-9:15-9:45
Gone With the Wind (STC) Sat 11
Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri-Wed 12:30-4-7:10:20 Thu 12:30-4-7
The Men Who Stare at Goats (PG) Fri-Thu 11:40-2:4:40-7:30-10:10
Paranormal Activity (STC) Fri-Wed 12:10-2:30-5-7:40-10:40 Thu 12:10-2:30-5-10:40
The Twilight Saga: New Moon (PG) No Passes Thu 10
Where the Wild Things Are (G) Fri-Thu 12:20-3:20-6:30-9:30

TINSELTOWN
International Village, 88 West Pender, 3rd floor, 604-806-0799
cinemark.com

The Box (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:45-4:30-7:15-9:55
Couples Retreat (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 2:15-4:50-7:35-10:25
An Education (PG) No Passes Fri-Tue 1:05-2:10-3:25-4:35-5:50-7:05-8:20-9:35 No Passes Wed 1:05-2:10-3:25-4:35-5:50-7:05-8:20-9:35 No Passes Thu 1:05-2:10-3:25-4:35-5:50-7:05-8:20-9:35
The Fourth Kind (STC) No Passes Fri-Thu 2:50-5:20-7:45-10:10
Gentlemen Broncos (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 2:40-4:55-7:10-9:25
Michael Jackson's This Is It (G) Fri-Thu 1-2:30-4-5:30-7-8:30-10
Pirate Radio (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 2-4:45-7:30-10:15
The September Issue (PG) Fri-Thu 1:10-3:20-5:35-7:50-10:05
A Serious Man (PG) Fri-Thu 2:55-5:25-7:55-10:30
Tetro (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:30-4:25-7:20-10:20

VANCITY THEATRE
Vancouver International Film Centre
1181 Seymour St., 604-683-Film, vifc.org

Amnesty International Film Festival (STC) Fri-Sun
At the Edge of the World (STC) Tue 8:15
Collapse (STC) Tue 6:30
No Films Showing Today (STC) Mon Wed-Thu

VAN EAST CINEMA
2290 Commercial Drive, 604-251-1313
vaneast.com

2012 (PG) Fri 6:10-9:20 Sat-Sun 3-6:10-9:20 Mon-Thu 6:10-9:20

NORTH SHORE

ESPLANADE 6
200 West Esplanade, 604-983-2762

The Box (PG) No Passes Fri 6:45-9:25 No Passes Sat-Sun 1:30-4-6:45-9:25 Mon-Thu 6:45-9:25
Disney's A Christmas Carol (G) No Passes Fri 6:40-9:15 No Passes Sat-Sun 1:20-3:50-6:40-9:15 Mon-Thu 6:40-9:15
Disney's A Christmas Carol 3D (G) No Passes Fri 7-9:40 No Passes Sat-Sun 1:50-4:20-7-9:40 Mon-Thu 7-9:40
The Men Who Stare at Goats (PG) Fri 7:20-9:30 Sat-Sun 1:35-4:15-7:20-9:30 Mon-Thu 7:20-9:30
Pirate Radio (PG) Fri 7:10-9:45 Sat-Sun 1:45-4:25-7:10-9:45 Mon-Thu 7:10-9:45
Where the Wild Things Are (G) Fri 6:50-9:20 Sat-Sun 1:40-4:10-6:50-9:20 Mon-Thu 6:50-9:20

PARK & TILFORD
333 Brooksbank Ave., 604-985-3911

2012 (PG) No Passes Fri 6:30-8-9:50 No Passes Sat-Sun 12-1-3:10-4:30-6:30-8-9:50 No Passes Mon-Thu 6:30-8-9:50 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Thu 1
Couples Retreat (PG) Fri 7:10-10 Sat-Sun 12:30-3-7:10-10 Mon-Thu 7:10-10
The Fourth Kind (STC) Fri 7-9:40 Sat-Sun 12:15-2:55-7-9:40 Mon-Thu 7-9:40
Gone With the Wind (STC) Sat 11
Laugh Out Loud Comedy Festival 2009 (STC) Thu 7
Michael Jackson's This Is It (G) Fri 6:50-9:30 Sat 3:20-6:50-9:30 Sun 12:30-3:20-6:50-9:30 Mon-Wed 6:50-9:30 Thu 9:30 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
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The Twilight Saga: New Moon (PG) No Passes Thu 10

RICHMOND

RICHMOND CENTRE 6
6551 #3 Road, 604-273-7173

2012 (PG) No Passes Fri 4:20-7:45 No Passes Sat-Sun 1-4:20-7:45 No Passes Mon-Thu 4:20-7:45
Astro Boy (G) Sat-Sun 1:20
The Box (PG) Fri 4:25-7:05-9:45 Sat 1:05-4:25-7:05-9:45 Sun 1:05-4:25-7:05 Mon-Thu 4:25-7:05
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Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri-Sat 4:35-7:15-9:55 Sun-Thu 4:35-7:15
The Men Who Stare at Goats (PG) Fri 4:40-7:20-9:50 Sat 1:25-4:40-7:20-9:50 Sun 1:25-4:40-7:20 Mon-Thu 4:40-7:20
Michael Jackson's This Is It (G) Fri 4:15-7:9:40 Sat 1:10-4:15-7:9:40 Sun 1:10-4:15-7 Mon-Thu 4:15-7
The Twilight Saga: New Moon (PG) No Passes Thu 10

SILVERCITY RIVERPORT
14211 Entertainment Way, 604-272-7280

2012 (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12-2-3:30-6:30-7:10-10:25-10:45 No Passes Fri-Thu 12:40-4:20-8
Aisi Deewangi (Hindi w/e.s.t.) (STC) Fri-Thu 12:35-4-7:45
Astro Boy (G) Fri-Wed 1:15-3:55-6:40-9:15 Thu 1:15-3:55-6:40
The Box (PG) Fri-Thu 12:15-3:20-6:55-9:55
Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant (PG) Fri-Thu 11:50
Couples Retreat (PG) Fri-Thu 4:05-7:40-10:35
Disney's A Christmas Carol 3D (G) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-12:30-1:55-3:35-4:30-6:45-7:9:30-9:45
Disney's A Christmas Carol: An IMAX 3D Experience (G) No Passes Fri-Thu 12-2:30-5-7:30-10
The Fourth Kind (STC) Fri-Thu 12:55-4:25-7:35-10:25
Gone With the Wind (STC) Sat 11
Heer Ranjha (Punjabi w/e.s.t.) (STC) Fri-Thu 12:05-4:30-8:10
Laugh Out Loud Comedy Festival 2009 (STC) Thu 7
Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri 12:10-3:25-6:35-9:40 Sat 3:25-6:35-9:40 Sun-Thu 12:10-3:25-6:35-9:40
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The Twilight Saga: New Moon (PG) No Passes Thu 10
Where the Wild Things Are (G) Fri-Wed 1:05-3:50-7:20-9:50 Thu 1:05-3:50-9:50
Zombieland (18A) Fri-Wed 1:25-4:10-7:50-10:20 Thu 1:25-4:10-7:50

BURNABY

DOLPHIN CINEMAS
4555 E. Hastings St., 604-293-0332

2012 (PG) Fri 7-9:55 Sat-Sun 1-4-7-9:55 Mon-Thu 7-9:55
Michael Jackson's This Is It (G) Fri 7-9:15 Sat-Sun 2-4:30-7-9:15 Mon-Thu 7-9:15
The Twilight Saga: New Moon (PG) Thu 10

SILVERCITY METROPOLIS
4700 Kingsway Ave., 604-435-7474

2012 (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:15-1:30-2:45-5:15-6:30-9:15-10:15
Astro Boy (G) Fri-Wed 12:30-3:40-7:05-9:30 Thu 12:30-3:40-7:05
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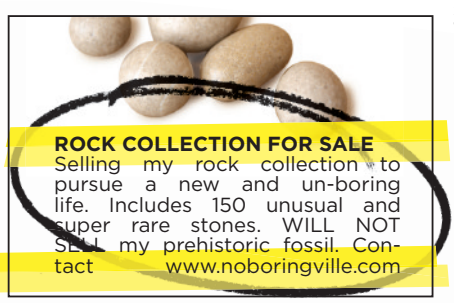
The Twilight Saga: New Moon (PG) No Passes Thu 10

STATION SQUARE
220-6200 McKay Ave., 604-434-7711

Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant (PG) Fri 4:05-7:05-10:05 Sat 1:05-4:05-7:05-10:05 Sun 1:05-4:05-7:05 Mon-Thu 4:05-7:05
Couples Retreat (PG) Fri 4-7-10 Sat 1-4-7-10 Sun 1-4-7 Mon-Thu 4-7
The Fourth Kind (STC) Fri 4:15-7:15-10:15 Sat 1:15-4:15-7:15-10:15 Sun 1:15-4:15-7:15 Mon-Thu 4:15-7:15
Saw VI (18A) Fri 4:20-7:20-10:20 Sat 1:20-4:20-7:20-10:20 Sun 1:20-4:20-7:20 Mon-Thu 4:20-7:20
The Stepfather (14A) Fri 4:30-7:30-10:30 Sat 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:30 Sun 1:30-4:30-7:30 Mon-Thu 4:30-7:30
Where the Wild Things Are (G) Fri 4:10-7:10-10:10 Sat 1:10-4:10-7:10-10:10 Sun 1:10-4:10-7:10 Mon-Thu 4:10-7:10
Zombieland (18A) Fri 4:25-7:25-10:25 Sat 1:25-4:25-7:25-10:25 Sun 1:25-4:25-7:25 Mon-Thu 4:25-7:25



NEW WEST/ COQUITLAM

SILVERCITY COQUITLAM
170 Schoolhouse Street, 604-523-2911

2012 (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:45-12:30-1:30-3:20-4-6:35-7:7:50-10:05-10:35
Amelia (G) Fri-Wed 12:45-3:50-7:15-10:10 Thu 12:45-3:50-7:15
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Paranormal Activity (STC) Fri-Thu 12:20-2:40-5-7:40-10:15
Pirate Radio (PG) No Passes Fri-Tue 1-3:45-6:40-9:55 No Passes Wed 3:45-6:40-9:55 No Passes Thu 1-3:45-6:40-9:55 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1
Saw VI (18A) Fri-Thu 12:25-3:05-7:10-10:30
The Twilight Saga: New Moon (PG) No Passes Thu 10-10:15-10:30
Where the Wild Things Are (G) Fri-Thu 12:15-3-6:55-9:50
Zombieland (18A) Fri-Wed 1:35-4:45-7:55-10:45 Thu 1:35-4:45-7:55

SURREY/WHITE ROCK/LANGLEY

CLOVA
5732-176th St., Surrey, 604-541-9527

Capitalism: A Love Story (PG) Fri-Thu 8:55
Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri-Thu 7
Where the Wild Things Are (G) Fri-Sun 1:30

HOLLYWOOD 3 CINEMA
7125-138th Street, Surrey, 604-592-4441

Astro Boy (G) Fri-Sun 12:30-2:30-5 Mon-Thu 5
Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant (PG) Fri-Sun 12-4:30 Mon-Thu 4:30
Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs (G) Fri-Sun 12:30-2:30-4:30-6:30 Mon-Thu 4:30-6:30
Couples Retreat (PG) Fri-Sun 2:15-6:30-8:45 Mon-Thu 6:30-8:45
Saw VI (18A) Fri-Thu 9
The Stepfather (14A) Fri-Thu 8:30
Zombieland (18A) Fri-Thu 7

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2012 (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12-1-3:30-4:30-7-8:10:30
Aisi Deewangi (Hindi w/e.s.t.) (STC) Fri-Thu 12:20-3:50-6:50-10:05
Ajab Prem Ki Ghazab Kahani (Hindi w/e.s.t.) (PG) Fri-Thu 12:40-4:20-7:40
The Box (PG) Fri-Thu 6:45-9:30
Disney's A Christmas Carol 3D (G) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:30-2:50-5:10-7:35-10
The Fourth Kind (STC) Fri-Thu 1:05-3:45-7:05-9:40
Heer Ranjha (Punjabi w/e.s.t.) (STC) Fri-Wed 12:10-1:10-3:40-4:25-7:10-7:50-10:25 Thu 12:10-1:10-3:40-4:25-7:50-10:25
Laugh Out Loud Comedy Festival 2009 (STC) Thu 7
Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri-Wed 1:25-4:05-7:25-10:10 Thu 1:25-4:05-7:25
The Men Who Stare at Goats (PG) Fri-Tue 1:20-4:10-7:15-9:55 Wed 4:10-7:15-9:55 Thu 1:20-4:10-7:15-9:55 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
Michael Jackson's This Is It (G) Fri-Tue 12:50-4-6:55-9:50 Wed 4-6:55-9:50 Thu 12:50-4-6:55 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
The Twilight Saga: New Moon (PG) No Passes Thu 10
Where the Wild Things Are (G) Fri-Thu 1:15-4:15

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Aisi Deewangi (STC) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:10-4:20-7:45
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Disney's A Christmas Carol (G) Dolby Stereo Digital, No Passes, Stadium Seating Fri-Sun 1:45-4:30-7:15-9:45 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Mon-Wed 1:45-4:30-7:15-9:45 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Thu 4:30-7:15-9:45 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Thu 1
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The Fourth Kind (STC) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Wed 1:40-4:35-7:25-10:05 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Thu 1:40-4:35
Heer Ranjha - A True Love Story (STC) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:30-4:50-8:15

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The Men Who Stare at Goats (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:35-4:25-7:10-9:50
Michael Jackson's This Is It (G) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:05-4:05-6:50-9:55
Paranormal Activity (STC) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:50-4:45-7:30-10:10
Pirate Radio (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:25-4:15-7:20-10:15
The Twilight Saga: New Moon (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, No Passes, Stadium Seating Thu 10-10:30

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A Serious Man (PG) Fri 7-9:05 Sat-Sun 2-7-9:05 Mon-Thu 7-9:05

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Disney's A Christmas Carol (G) No Passes Fri 7-9 No Passes Sat-Sun 2:10-7-9 No Passes Mon-Thu 7-9
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Amelia (G) Fri-Sun 12:45-3:35-6:40-9:35 Mon-Thu 3:35-6:40-9:35
Astro Boy (G) Fri-Sun 12:35-3:40-6:50-9:20 Mon-Wed 3:40-6:50-9:20 Thu 3:40-6:50
The Box (PG) Fri-Sun 1:15-4:05-7:25-10:15 Mon-Thu 4:05-7:25-10:15
Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant (PG) Fri-Sun 1:25-4:15-7:15-10 Mon-Thu 4:15-7:15-10
Couples Retreat (PG) Fri-Sun 12:40-3:55-6:55-10:10 Mon-Wed 3:55-6:55-10:10 Thu 3:55-6:55
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Disney's A Christmas Carol: An IMAX 3D Experience (G) No Passes Fri-Sun 12-2:30-5-7:30-10 No Passes Mon-Thu 4-7-9:30
The Fourth Kind (STC) Fri-Sun 1:40-4:35-7:30-10 Mon-Thu 4:35-7:30-10
Gone With the Wind (STC) Sat 11
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Where the Wild Things Are (G) Fri-Sun 12:50-3:50-6:55-9:40 Mon-Thu 3:50-6:55-9:40
Zombieland (18A) Fri-Sun 1:20-4:10-7:35-10:05 Mon-Wed 4:10-7:35-10:05 Thu 4:10-7:35

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Michael Jackson's This Is It (G) Fri-Sun 9:20
Where the Wild Things Are (G) Fri-Sun 7:30

Billboard's top albums

1. Play On, Carrie Underwood; 2. Michael Jackson's This Is It (Soundtrack), Michael Jackson; 3. My Christmas, Andrea Bocelli; 4. Glee: The Music, Volume 1, Various Artists; 5. NOW 32, Various Artists. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Music

Nerd rock with an attitude

Weezer frontman's quirky creativity wins over fans

BRYAN BORZYKOWSKI
for Metro Canada

If there's one thing you can't criticize Weezer for, it's playing too long. Most of the band's albums clock in around 33 minutes, including the group's latest Ratitude. But that's not short enough for frontman Rivers Cuomo.

"We're going to put out albums more frequently, and they might be shorter," he says on the phone from his L.A. studio. "I don't feel like I need 12 song epics anymore — I want my music in smaller doses."

Ratitude, the group's seventh record, isn't the band's most succinct disc — that title goes to 2001's 28 minute Green Album — but it is Cuomo's quickest record since then. With 10 songs it moves speedily along, which is just how the Harvard educated singer-songwriter wants it.

"I'm going by how I listen to music and what I want as a music fan," he explains. "After six songs you say this was really satisfying. Eight songs is cool, but that's enough. Then there's another song. At that point I have to switch."

Of course, if you're going to write an eight or 10 song record, all the tunes have to be good. And that could be a challenge. Ratitude isn't the band's greatest record — Weezer's Blue Album and Pinkerton are still better than his more recent work. Its juvenile lyrics don't do the disc any favours — the song Girl Got Hot is a silly track about a homely girl who turned hot — while musically some of the songs lack the complexity of earlier work.

Ratitude — the seventh record from nerd rockers Weezer — was released last week.

If he scrapped two or three of the mediocre tunes, maybe Cuomo would have a strong, short disc. (If You're Wondering If I Want You To) I Want You To, the album's title track, is an infectious power pop tune that fits nicely along side Hash Pipe or any of his stronger songs from the last eight years.

Despite some of the less memorable tracks, Cuomo still has that quirky creativity that won over fans in the first place. That's evident on the song Can't Stop Partying, with Lil Wayne. It's a bizarre tune, especially Wayne's sluggish rap, but thanks to the genre bending, it's one of the more thought-provoking songs here. "Working with Lil Wayne wasn't weird to me," he says. "The moment I heard him do it, I wrote down every word, memorized it and would rap it to myself."

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Rivers Cuomo

Maybe Weezer won't just shorten records in the future — the band could change direction all together. A hip-hop album perhaps? "I'd never do a rap album," Cuomo says. "I love rap, but I love melody too."

Talk of 'iPod tax' is back, customers need to beware of what's proposed

SoundCheck
Alan Cross
metronews.ca/soundcheck

Last Friday, I chanced upon an op-ed piece in the Toronto Star under the headline Copyright Reform Must Protect Rights of Canadian Artists.

If your eyes didn't glaze over at the phrase "copyright reform," read on.

Three Canadian songwriters, Amy Sky, Marc Jordan and Marie Denise Pelletier, made a plea. Here's the gist: Canadian performers need to be fairly compensated when their work is copied and used. Things go off the rails when they start quoting bumpf from Savethelevy.ca, a website exhorting that Canadians be taxed in new and innovative ways for the privilege of copying music for personal use.

This is not new. In 1997, a levy was applied to recordable media (blank cassettes, CD-Rs and Mini-Discs) to compensate artists for this private copying. This is why a spindle of blank CDs costs exponentially more in Canada than in the U.S. Since then, more than $150 million has been collected and distributed to over 97,000 songwriters, composers, recording artists and other rights holders.

"Music fans and consumers need to watch what's being proposed."

The Save the Levy people rightly point out that almost no one makes cassette mixtapes anymore and people are burning fewer CDs than in 1997. Therefore, it's time to tax new things.

Like what? Well, any kind of portable music device to start. Calls for an "iPod tax" are back. How much? I've seen proposals asking for up to $75 per device. In other words, they want consumers to pay twice: Once with the levy and once for the CD or the download.

And why stop there? What about hard drives and USB keys? Don't get me wrong. Our copyright laws desperately need to change with the times if we're going to protect artists and intellectual property. But music fans and consumers need to watch what's being proposed, too.

The Ongoing History Of New Music can be heard on stations across Canada. Read more at ongoinghistory.com and exploremusic.com

Amazon.ca's top albums
1. My Christmas, Andrea Bocelli; 2. Crazy Love, Michael Bublé, left; 3. Things We Things We Left Behind, Blue Rodeo; 4. List, Rosanne Cash; 5. We'll Meet Again: The Very Best Of Vera Lynn, Vera Lynn. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Music

Jesus Lizard is reborn

Volatile post-punk act returns to the road 10 years after breakup

CAM LINDSAY
for Metro Canada

To coincide with The Jesus Lizard's reunion gigs, the band's former label Touch and Go has reissued the group's first four albums.

"Like discovering an old pair of shoes in the back of your closet and putting them on and going, 'They fit perfect and look great! I think I'll go dancing.' Or something like that."

This is the way guitarist Duane Denison explains The Jesus Lizard's reunion, as if it's no big deal. "People had been mentioning it for years and we thought we might be that one band that never does the reunion. But we started getting some good offers and then the label reissued the back catalogue and it just kind of fell into place."

Known for their primal, serpentine post-punk sound and unparalleled gigs led by the unhinged behaviour of inimitable (and sometimes naked) frontman David Yow, the Lollapalooza generation gets to revisit its most volatile act once again.

Denison says being in The Jesus Lizard now, ten years after they called it quits, is in some ways even better than before. "Everything that I always liked about playing with the band is still there, like the momentum, the intensity and all that good stuff. Plus, there was always pressure in the old days: you've got an album out and you want to play well so you can come back. Now we don't think about that stuff. And the money's good, so it's just less of a grind than it used to be. If anything it's been more enjoyable."

To coincide with the reunion, the band's former label Touch and Go has reissued the first four The Jesus Lizard LPs, which helped justify hitting the road once again. "The reissues just kind of happened to fall into the same time period," Denison says. "The reissues were (Touch and Go's) idea, and to remaster it and put goodies like photos, liner notes, bonus tracks, into it that weren't there before."

A band with as much cult appeal as The Jesus Lizard can't come back from the dead without any sort of promise about what the future holds. Denison, however, seems hesitant to give any definite plans.

"We don't want to overstay the welcome. One of the reasons this is going so well is because it's our reunion but also kind of our last go around, the last chance to see us. There's always a part of me that wants to leave the door open because everyone's having a good time together, so who knows, maybe we'll record something or do a special show. But then again, we think let's not do that, let's not milk it, let's end on as good a note as we can."

In brief

CHARTS The following is HMV Canada's top 10 CDs based on national sales for the week ending Nov. 14.
1. The Circle, Bon Jovi
2. This Is It, Michael Jackson
3. Crazy Love, Michael Bublé
4. Things We Left Behind, Blue Rodeo
5. Play On, Carrie Underwood
6. Greatest Hits, Foo Fighters
7. My Christmas, Andrea Bocelli
8. Christmas, Johnny Reid
9. Nous, Daniel Belanger
10. Much Dance 2010, Various Artists

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TOP 10 RINGTONES
1 3 Britney Spears
2 Sexy B—h David Guetta
3 TiK ToK Ke$ha
4 Throw Ya Hands Up Stereos
5 Hotel Room Service Pitbull
6 Fire Burning Sean Kingston
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Whitney's back

Whitney Houston will sing her new ballad, I Didn't Know My Own Strength, and will receive the International Artist Award at the 37th American Music Awards, to be broadcast Nov. 22 on ABC. Houston last performed at the AMAs 10 years ago. EW.COM

Television

TV's screaming dance diva is stepping out

IAN JOHNSTON
for Metro Canada

The resident queen of scream on So You Think You Can Dance has some no-nonsense advice for those planning to audition for her TV show in Toronto this weekend.

"If you love the show and think you can bust a move, then by all means, show up. You never know till you try," says Mary Murphy, who splits her time between a guest stint on SYTYCD Canada and a full-time gig as a judge on the original American version.

"But it's a long day," she warns. "So stay hydrated. Bring lots of healthy snacks. And stay warm. I've seen too many dancers who waited in line all day, got up in front of us and had a terrible cramp."

Murphy, a veteran dancer and choreographer, has lately seen her fame increase exponentially.

A show standout for her screaming comments and odd catch phrases (such as putting good contestants on "the hot tamale train"), she recently appeared in US Weekly and on Larry King Live, talking about a troubled past marriage. She's also featured in a new Coca Cola ad now playing in movie theatres.

Murphy

"I'm in a new stratosphere now," says Murphy, who also finds time to appear on SYTYCD spinoffs in countries like Australia and Norway.

"But if I didn't like it, I wouldn't be doing what I do," she adds.

She says fans on the street tend to mimic her scream or offer their own hot tamale train versions, complete with arm movements and sound effects.

"I think I disappoint people and journalists I meet because I won't put them on the hot tamale train," she says. "I want to keep it special. I don't say it easily. You have to earn it."

Murphy sees little difference between dancers who audition in Canada and those in the U.S.

"The talent is still there. But I was surprised at the number of hip hop and b-boys in Canada. And there does seem to be a lot of great ballroom dancers from Montreal, which also surprised me," she says.

Get your shoes on

- Auditions for the third season of So You Think You Can Dance Canada are scheduled to take place Dec. 5 in Vancouver. Visit dance.ctv.ca for more information and details.

FRIDAY 11/13/09

VA	Vu	SC	C	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
primetime	251	308	3 CBC	Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	Ron James	Rick Mercer	CBC News: the fifth estate		CBC News: The National (N)		The Hour (N)
	250	321	9 CTV	etalk (CC)	Hollywood	Ghost Whisperer (N) (CC)		Medium "Once in a Lifetime"		Flashpoint (N) (CC) (DVS)		CTV News
	252	336	11 GTV	Entertainment	ET Canada	The Guard "Boom" (CC)		Bones (PA) (CC)		NUMB3RS "Ultimatum" (N)		News
	256	389	12 VI	Degrassi	TMZ (N)	Law & Order (N) (CC)		Law & Order: SVU		Comedy Now	Comedy Now	A News (N)
	253	359	13 CITY	The Office	The Office	Supernanny (N) (CC)		Ugly Betty "Backseat Betty"		The Jay Leno Show (N)		The CityNews
	-	-	14 CW	The Office	The Office	Smallville "Idol" (N) (CC)		America's Next Top Model		Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Frasier "IQ"
	289	381	15 CBS	Entertainment	The Insider	Ghost Whisperer (N) (CC)		Medium "Once in a Lifetime"		NUMB3RS "Ultimatum" (N)		KIRO 7 News
	287	379	16 NBC	Evening Mag.	Inside Edition	Law & Order (N) (CC)		Dateline NBC (CC)		The Jay Leno Show (N)		KING 5 News
	288	380	21 ABC	Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	Supernanny (N) (CC)		Ugly Betty "Backseat Betty"		20/20 (N) (CC)		News
	290	382	23 FOX	Two Men	Two Men	House "Locked In" (CC)		Bones (PA) (CC)		News	Most Wanted	Family Guy
news	502	390	23 NW	After Elizabeth II (CC)		CBC News: The National (N)		CBC News: The National (N)		After Elizabeth II (CC)		National
	500	500	33 CNN	Anderson Cooper 360 U.S soldiers are convicted. (N) (CC)				Larry King Live		Anderson Cooper 360 (CC)		Cooper 360
sports	407	419	22 RSP	Countdown to UFC 105		Hockey	Mike Danton: Untold Story		MMA Conn	Sportsnet Connected (Live)		Sportsnet
	400	400	30 TSN	(6:30) Curling Road to the Roar: Men's B Final. (Live)					SportsCentre	Boxing: TBA		SportsCentre
family	552	543	25 YTV	The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants ★★★ (2005) Amber Tamblyn. (CC)					Prank Patrol	That's-Weird	Sorry	Adrenaline
	555	545	50 TEL	Batman	Wolverine	Justice	Star Wars	Futurama	King of Hill	The Crow ★★★ (1994) Brandon Lee.		
	268	354	5 KNO	Canada's War in Colour		Poirot "The Double Clue" (N)		New Tricks "Shadow Show"		The War Story ★★ (1982) (CC)		
cable variety	575	583	20 CMT	Martina McBride		Tracks	Tracks	Cheerleaders	Cheerleaders	Martina McBride		Star Crossed
	615	520	31 A&E	Criminal Minds "52 Pickup"		CSI: Miami "Bombshell"		(:01) Criminal Minds (CC)		(:01) Criminal Minds (CC)		Criminal
	521	560	24 TLC	Battle-Wedding Planners		Dress	Dress	Battle-Wedding Planners		Dress	Dress	Dress
	616	522	69 SHO	The Outer Limits (CC)		Howie Do It	Howie Do It	Kenny	Kenny	Trailer Park	Trailer Park	Found.
	294	650	57 TBS	(:15) RV ★★ (2006) Robin Williams, Jeff Daniels. (CC)				(:15) Seinfeld	(:45) Seinfeld	(:15) Zathura ★★★ (2005, Adventure) (CC)		
	603	561	69 FN	Diners	Diners	Ramsay's Kitchen		Unwrapped	Unwrapped	Bobby Flay	Bobby Flay	Diners
	-	-	55 AMC	Mad Max 2: The Road Warrior ★★★ (1981) Mel Gibson.				Mad Max Beyond Thunderdome ★★★ (1985) Mel Gibson. (CC)				
	320	621	60 CEN	(6:30) The Promotion ★★		Fired Up ★ (2009) Nicholas D'Agosto. (CC)		(:35) Sex Drive ★★ (2008, Comedy) Josh Zuckerman. (CC)				
	581	566	101 MTV	The Hills	Peak Season	1 girl 5 gays	Cribs (CC)	Cribs (CC)	OverBolts	The Hills	Peak Season	After

SATURDAY 11/14/09

VA	Vu	SC	C	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
primetime	251	308	3 CBC	NHL Hockey Vancouver Canucks at Colorado Avalanche. (Live) (CC)					HNIC: After Hours		News	Soccer
	250	321	9 CTV	W5 Lyme disease. (N)		CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.		CSI: NY "Yahrzeit" (CC)		Law & Order: SVU		CTV News
	252	336	11 GTV	Santa's-Way	Jane Show	Project Runway Canada		Gemini Awards (CC)			Legends-Lore	News Final
	256	389	12 VI	The Scotiabank Giller Prize		The Miracle of the Cards (2001) Catherine Oxenberg. (CC)				Whistler "Road Trip"		Bravo!FACT
	253	359	13 CITY	My RONA Home (CC)		Glenn Martin	Out There	Murder at the Presidio (2005) Lou Diamond Phillips. (CC)				Amazing
	-	-	14 CW	The Office	The Office	Smash Cuts	Smash Cuts	The Hills	The Hills	CSI: NY "The Cost of Living"		CSI: Miami
	289	381	15 CBS	Entertainment Tonight (N)		NCIS "Broken Bird" (CC)		CSI: NY "Yahrzeit" (CC)		48 Hours Mystery (N) (CC)		KIRO 7 News
	287	379	16 NBC	Backroads	Inside Edition	Mercy (CC)		Law & Order "Great Satan"		Law & Order: SVU		KING 5 News
	288	380	21 ABC	(5:00) College Football Regional Coverage.			NASCAR	Fortune	Jeopardy!	The Brian McKnight Show		News
	290	382	23 FOX	Two Men	Two Men	Cops (N)	Cops (CC)	America's Most Wanted		News	Most Wanted	Wanda Sykes
news	502	390	23 NW	Bangkok Girl (CC)		National	Issue	National	Mansbridge	Bangkok Girl (CC)		National
	500	500	33 CNN	Newsroom		CNN Presents "Escape From Jonestown" (CC)				Newsroom		Presents
sports	407	419	22 RSP	PartyPoker.net		UFC 105 Countdown (N)						Sportsnet
	400	400	30 TSN	(5:00) Curling Road to Roar: Men's & Women's C Semifinal.						SportsCentre (Live) (CC)		SportsCentre
family	552	543	25 YTV	Prank Patrol	Prank Patrol	Funniest Home Videos		That's-Weird	Sorry	Survive This	Ghost	Adrenaline
	555	545	50 TEL	Ghostbusters II ★★ (1989, Comedy) Bill Murray. Premiere.				Futurama	King of Hill	Chicken	Venture Bros.	Moral Orel (N)
	268	354	5 KNO	National Geographic		Heartbeat "Guilty Secrets"		Midsomer Murders A mystery from his schooldays. (N)				Jazz
	575	583	20 CMT	Planes, Trains and Automobiles ★★★ (1987) Steve Martin. Premiere.					Planes, Trains and Automobiles ★★★ (1987, Comedy)			
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	603	561	69 FN	Top Chef: Las Vegas (CC)		The F Word (CC)		Challenge (CC)		Chopped "Best of the Best"		Chef: Vegas
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SUNDAY 11/15/09

VA	Vu	SC	C	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
primetime	251	308	3 CBC	Heartland (N) (CC) (DVS)		Battle of the Blades (N)		The Nature of Things (N)		CBC News: The National (N)		News
	250	321	9 CTV	Degrassi	Degrassi	The Amazing Race 15 (N)		Desperate Housewives (N)		Cold Case (N) (CC)		CTV News
	252	336	11 GTV	16:9 Picture	Prod. Parker	Simpsons	Cleveland Sh	Family Guy	Amer Dad	(:01) Brothers & Sisters (N)		News Final
	256	389	12 VI	America's Next Top Model		About a Boy ★★★ (2002) Hugh Grant, Toni Collette. (CC)				Spectacle: Elvis		New Canoe
	253	359	13 CITY	Survivorman (CC)		Extreme Makeover: Home		My RONA Home (CC)		Conviction Kitchen		Amazing
	-	-	14 CW	Boston Legal (CC)		CSI: Miami (CC)		CSI: NY "Enough" (CC)		Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Frasier (CC)
	289	381	15 CBS	60 Minutes (N) (CC)		The Amazing Race 15 (N)		Three Rivers (N) (CC)		Cold Case (N) (CC)		KIRO 7 News
	287	379	16 NBC	NFL Football: Patriots at Colts			The Jim Mora	Dateline NBC (CC)		Law & Order: SVU		KING 5 News
	288	380	21 ABC	Funniest Home Videos		Extreme Makeover: Home		Desperate Housewives (N)		(:01) Brothers & Sisters (N)		News
	290	382	23 FOX	House "Locked In" (CC)		Simpsons	Cleveland Sh	Family Guy	Amer Dad	News	Sports	House (CC)
news	502	390	23 NW	Inside the Saudi Kingdom		After Elizabeth II (CC)		CBC News: The National		Inside the Saudi Kingdom		Nature
	500	500	33 CNN	Newsroom		State of the Union		Larry King Live		State of the Union		Union
sports	407	419	22 RSP	Mike Danton: Untold Story		UFC 105 Countdown				Sportsnet Connected (Live)		Sportsnet
	400	400	30 TSN	NFL Football: Patriots at Colts				SportsCentre (Live) (CC)		ATP Tennis Paris 1000 Masters, Final.		SportsCentre
family	552	543	25 YTV	(6:00) Charlotte's Web (2006)		OddParents	Family Biz	Smallville "Bloodline" (CC)		Survive This	Ghost	Adrenaline
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	268	354	5 KNO	National Geographic		Touch of Frost "Held in Trust" (CC)				New Tricks "Shadow Show"		Beautiful
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	294	650	57 TBS	(:15) The Wizard of Oz ★★★★ (1939, Fantasy) Judy Garland. (CC) (DVS)					Freaky Friday ★★★ (2003) Jamie Lee Curtis. (CC)			
	603	561	69 FN	Dinner: Impossible (CC)		Restaurant Makeover (CC)		Get on Plate	Food	Iron Chef America (CC)		Dinner
	-	-	55 AMC	The Prisoner "Arrival; Harmony"				Patton ★★★★ (1970, Biography) George C. Scott, Karl Malden. (CC)				
	320	621	60 CEN	Gone Baby Gone ★★★ (2007) Casey Affleck. (CC)				Dexter "Road Kill" (N) (CC)		Vacancy 2: The First Cut (2009) (CC)		
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Another show bites the dust
The latest addition to the TV graveyard is Dollhouse. According to several insiders, Fox will not be ordering additional episodes of the low-rated sci-fi drama starring Eliza Dushku. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Television

The world of the paranoidal

Sci-fi remake imagines society under constant surveillance

AMBER RAY
Metro World News

It's disarming to meet a knight in Chuck Taylors.

It's also highly appropriate for Sir Ian McKellen to dress so casual-cool for our interview as he promotes The Prisoner, a brilliant new miniseries that manipulates appearance and perception while deftly delving into themes of paranoia in a seemingly civilized, but truly authoritarian, society.

"Individual's place in society, surveillance, the knowledge the authorities have on you simply because you carry a cellphone…" — McKellen rattles off the heady topics The Prisoner examines.

"They know everything that's in that phone, everything you've said, every message you've sent. You cannot delete a message — did you know that?"

McKellen is the man behind the conspiracies, not the one pondering them, in The Prisoner. He plays Two, the leader of a mysterious modern-day utopian society where everyone is known by a number, not a name.

It's called the Village, and when New Yorker Michael (Jim Caviezel) wakes up in the strange, resort-like town, disoriented and demanding a way out, he is told there is no out. There is no New York. And, by the way, he is Number Six.

After portraying Jesus in the brutal, bloody Passion of the Christ, Jim Caviezel knows what it takes to bring a gruelling role to life. And no matter how much playing the tortured hero in The Prisoner drained him, Caviezel refused to give any less than what it took to make the miniseries a work of art.

"The tears came 'cause I felt like we didn't just get out of this project. We did great."
Actor Jim Caviezel

"If The Prisoner had just been a random thing, I would have taken the scripts, learned all my material, showed up for work and said, 'OK, there it is,'" the actor says. "But we had to make it better."

That kind of dedication — he worked 92 of the 96 days on the shoot — took a toll on the actor.

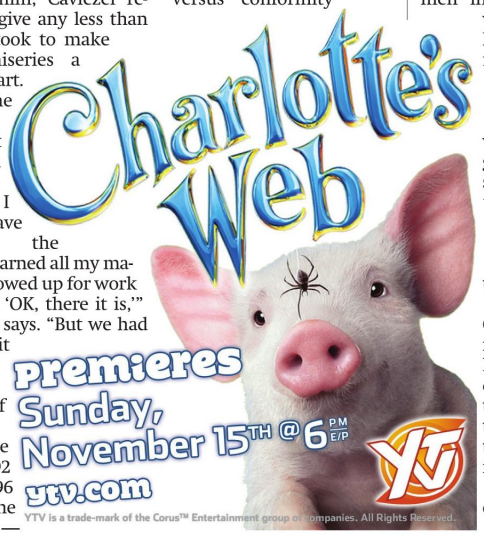
"When it was done, the last day, I remember I threw on a Christmas song by the Beach Boys — 'I'm dreaming of a white Christmas' — and I'm sitting there, listening to Brian Wilson sing, and I just ... argh!" He yells abruptly in a show of relief.

"The tears came 'cause I felt like we didn't just get out of this project. We did great … We were great."

A remake of a cult British series from the 1960s, The Prisoner is a mental chess match between McKellen and Caviezel. It's a terrifying meditation on freedom versus conformity and state control.

"Six and Two are closer than they think," explains McKellen. "Still, they don't stop arguing and battling and fighting it out — thank God not physically, because I'd lose every single one of those."

In The Prisoner, Ian McKellen plays Two, leader of a mysterious civilization in which everyone is known only by a number.



Skate series finalists enjoying the glide

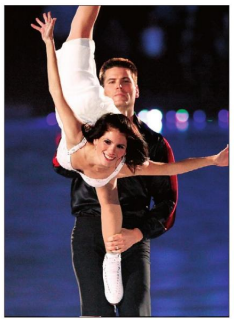
SHOWDOWN Coaches and finalists on CBC-TV's Battle of the Blades say the successful show, which concludes Sunday and Monday, has been a long, draining experience with plenty of ups, downs and surprises.

Claude Lemieux, Stéphane Richer and Craig Simpson are the remaining men in the competition, which pairs former NHLers with female figure skaters.

Coach Paul Martini, a former world champion, says he would never have guessed, at the outset, that the men would be doing what they're doing now, including full overhead lifts with their partners.

Another coach, Olympic pairs gold medallist David Pelletier, says it was clear from the start that all eight men took the competition and their training very seriously.

Pelletier says no one wanted to get eliminated — or iced, as they say on the show — and the rivalries have grown intense.



Jamie Salé and Craig Simpson

Pelletier's Olympic partner and wife, Jamie Salé, is teamed up with Simpson, a former Edmonton Oiler, and says she's been amazed by his perseverance, even after bad falls early on.

"I think I've come a long way," Simpson said Thursday.

"(Salé) is the same great skater she's always been, but fortunately, some of it has rubbed off on me.

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Original Prisoner series became a Cold War classic

CULT CLASSIC When AMC starts airing what it calls its "reinterpretation" of classic '60s British TV series The Prisoner on Sunday, it will rekindle a debate that's been raging in the geek universe for more than 40 years: Was the original Prisoner the most creative, provocative, deep, multi-layered and fascinating TV show of all time?

McGoohan

Or was it simply a product of its flower-power decade — a confused, hallucinogenic nightmare that in the end made no sense at all?

One thing is for sure: the new six-part miniseries is a chance for a new generation of viewers to discover the original show, which first aired in 1967. AMC has made all 17 original episodes available online at amctv.com.

The cult classic was a tale of Cold War espionage starring Patrick McGoohan as an intelligence agent who is rendered unconscious by a gas attack and wakes up in an Orwellian world.

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Trailer Park Boys take a pleasant trip in new project for Showcase

ADDICTIVE TV The Trailer Park Boys are going to get high again.

Mike Smith, Robb Wells and J.P. Tremblay of Trailer Park Boys will play multiple characters in a new Showcase series called The Drunk and On Drugs Happy Funtime Hour.

The series will centre on the cast of a fictional children's show, including Smith, Wells and Tremblay, who accidentally ingest an addictive hallucinogen mixed by a character played by Rush guitarist Alex Lifeson.

As the series unfolds, the characters will contend with the bizarre cast of hallucinating children's show characters, a dysfunctional crime family that runs the town, and a dangerous cult.

Showcase has ordered six episodes to air in 2010.

"The series is definitely a departure from our previous work, but … Drunk and On Drugs still has a huge dose of our trademark humour," Wells said in a press release.

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Lou Dobbs announces departure from CNN, destination unknown

CNN host Lou Dobbs began his news and commentary show tonight with the announcement that he's leaving the news network. Dobbs did not say where he plans to go after he completes nearly 30 years at CNN. EW.COM

Going Out

Mix of Six

Bill Cosby
When: Friday
Where: River Rock Show Theatre

Popular comedian and actor known for his role as the dad in the Cosby Show is in town for back-to-back performances. Tix: $59.50-$69.50 Info: riverrock.com.

KISS in Concert
When: Saturday
Where: GM Place

Gene Simmons and Paul Stanley return to Vancouver as part of the legendary 1970s band KISS to Rock and Roll All Nite. Tix: $17-$126. Info: kissonline.com.

Bill Maher
When: Saturday
Where: River Rock Show Theatre

The host of HBO's Real Time With Bill Maher performs a stand-up comedy act full of political satire. Tix: $64.50-79.50. Info: riverrock.com.

Creme de la Creme
When: Sunday
Where: Four Seasons Hotel, 791 W. Georgia

Haute couture wedding show features the latest designs, products and services. Tix: $35-$45. Info: cremedelacreme.ca.

Irving Berlin's White Christmas: The Musical
When: Until Dec. 27
Where: Stanley Industrial Alliance Stage

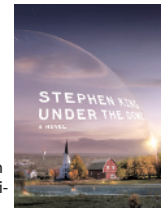
Unforgettable musical about love and friendship based on the classic holiday film that will fill spectators with the holiday season. Tix: $25-$84. Info: artsclub.com.

The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe
When: Friday, 10 p.m.
Where: Opera House, 735 Queen St. E.

The popular children's story of a group of siblings who enter a magical world through their wardrobe adapted for the stage. Tix: $11-$34. Info: pacifictheatre.org.

Metro's 7th Heaven: Metro taps what's hot right now

1 Under the Dome: Stephen King

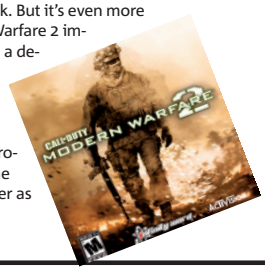


BOOK The master of horror weaves political allegory into his latest offering — a whopping 1,072-page rewrite of a novel King attempted to pen twice in the '70s and '80s. This time, the thrills are set in Chester's Mill, Maine, which suddenly finds itself surrounded by an invisible but impermeable barrier.

2 Pirate Radio

FILM When the British government stole rock 'n' roll from '60s kids by banning songs on radio, renegade DJs on floating vessels snatched it right back by airing the music on contraband stations. Richard Curtis' new comedy tells the story of these offshore AM firebrands. On board: Phillip Seymour Hoffman (remember his turn as rock journalist Lester Bangs in Almost Famous?), Bill Nighy and a riotous soundtrack. You can't sink this.

3 Call of Duty: Modern Warfare 2



GAME Any war game would be a fitting release during Remembrance Week. But it's even more apt since Modern Warfare 2 immerses gamers into a detailed, exhilarating world of combat that doesn't hide its horrors. Already a massive hit in its work of release, the title has also generated some controversy around a scene where the chief character goes undercover as a terrorist and kills civilians.

4 Star Trek

DVD There have been bigger moneymakers this summer, but none deserved more popcorn-munching than this franchise reboot. The casting was bang-on, the script was intelligent — heck, even Leonard Nimoy was back. But will it deliver on the small screen? You be the judge.

5 Them Crooked Vultures: Them Crooked Vultures

ALBUM This might just be a "fun" project for those involved but to the rock fan, they are the Supergroup of the Year. The Vultures comprise Dave Grohl (of The Foo Fighters), Josh Homme (of Queens of the Stone Age) and — hold your breath — former Led Zeppelin bassist John Paul Jones. Monster riffs and snaking grooves are headed your way.

6 The Prisoner

TV Roll over HBO. AMC is ready to take over the world of cable channels. Hot on the heels of the Mad Men season finale comes this three-part series — a re-imagining of the '60s classic. Critics can't seem to find enough praise for the drama, starring Jim Caviezel and Ian McKellen. The Prisoner airs Sunday through Tuesday at 8 p.m. EST

7 Linden MacIntyre

AUTHOR The CBC journalist won Canada's top literary prize this week for his second novel The Bishop's Man. MacIntyre, who is best known for his work with the The Fifth Estate, beat out Kim Echlin, Annabel Lyon, Colin McAdam and Anne Michaels to take home the $50,000 Giller Prize.

Actress condemns newborn son to lifelong teasing
It's a boy for Ashley Jensen and her husband, actor Terence Beesley. The Accidentally on Purpose actress welcomed son Francis Jonathan Beesley on Oct. 20, her rep confirms to People. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Celebrity Buzz

Jon and I don't deserve bad press: Levi

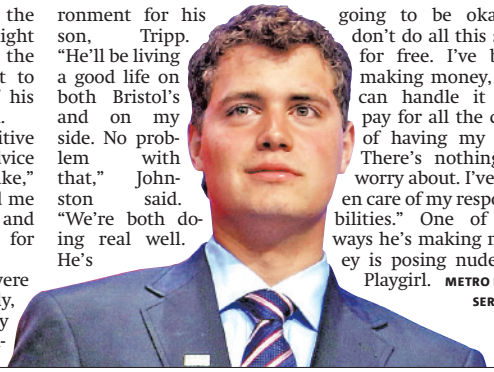
BUT NEITHER OF YOU WILL WIN DADDY OF THE YEAR Levi Johnston says he has a lot in common with Jon Gosselin.

"He's a good guy," Johnston told People. "He's kind of in the same situation I am right now. He's a good dad and he gets a lot of bad press. He's getting the same bad image as I am and it ain't true. I can relate to that."

Johnston, 19, who met Gosselin in New York on Nov. 8, even received some parenting tips from the dad of eight, which might come in handy if the Alaskan wins his suit to gain joint custody of his child with Bristol Palin.

"He was very positive and gave some good advice that I'm going to take," Johnston said. "He told me kids are number one and do anything you can for them."

Johnston says if he were granted joint custody, he'd create a healthy and normal home environment for his son, Tripp. "He'll be living a good life on both Bristol's and on my side. No problem with that," Johnston said. "We're both doing real well. He's going to be okay. I don't do all this stuff for free. I've been making money, so I can handle it and pay for all the costs of having my son. There's nothing to worry about. I've taken care of my responsibilities." One of the ways he's making money is posing nude for Playgirl. METRO NEWS SERVICES



Celebrity tweets

Kim Kardashian wants your sympathy because she has a cold, Kareem Abdul Jabar doesn't want your sympathy even though he has leukemia, Joel Madden loses sleep, and Kirstie Alley just plain loses it.

• @KimKardashian
I really don't feel like it at all...but I am going to the gym for a workout. It's so hard to work out when u are sick!

• @kaj33
I know alot of you are concerned for me and I want to assure I intend to stay healthy and fight this and that I am in remission.

• @JoelMadden
Just woke up from a nightmare not sure if i am awake right now or not. probably not a good time to tweet while i'm dreaming. great now im up

• @kirstiealley
I'll just be over here in my lolly pop garden picking moonbeams and rainbows..pretending like earth is a giant gum drop covered in caramel

METRO WORLD NEWS

Sharon's sorry for picking on Susan

IT'S NOT LIKE SHARON'S A SUPERMODEL EITHER Sharon Osbourne has tweeted an apology for saying Britain's Got Talent sensation Susan Boyle was hit with "the ugly stick." On a radio show last month, Osbourne was asked about Boyle and said, "You just want to say God bless and here's a Gillette razor." But now writes, "Susan Boyle is a lovely gracious woman and I took advantage of that by poking fun at her. I would never want to be responsible for hurting Susan and I must apologize for getting a cheap laugh at her expense." METRO WORLD NEWS

Amy's got a thing for ping-pong

ANYTHING THAT KEEPS HER IN THE HOUSE IS GOOD Amy Winehouse is obsessed with her new ping-pong table. "She barely leaves the house," a source tells the Mirror. The singer is said to have been throwing ping-pong parties.

METRO WORLD NEWS

Tyson arrested after scuffle

MAYBE IT'S US, BUT SCUFFLING WITH MIKE TYSON DOESN'T SOUND TOO SMART Mike Tyson found himself in the back of a police car after getting into a scuffle with a photographer at Los Angeles International Airport, according to TMZ. Sources claim they saw blood on the floor near the United Airlines ticket counter where the scuffle took place. Police tell the site that both Tyson and the photographer performed citizen's arrests on each other. A rep for the former heavyweight champion says he was just trying to protect his 10-month-old daughter from an overly aggressive paparazzo. Tyson was reportedly released on $20,000 US bail after being booked.

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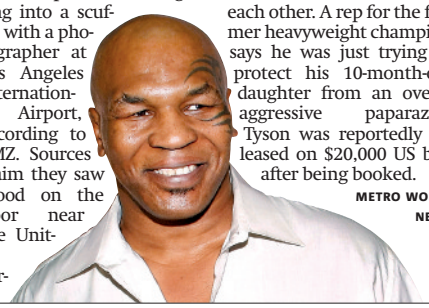

Ungaro brands Lindsay's collection a 'disaster'

OUCH! Lindsay Lohan received a lot of criticism for her the collection she curated last month for fashion house Ungaro, but this has got to hurt the most. The house's founder, Emanuel Ungaro, has spoken out, saying the collection "was a disaster," according to the Agence French Presse. "I'm furious but there isn't a thing I can do. I have absolutely no link with that house," said Ungaro, who sold his company to an investment firm in 2005. Ungaro said the house he founded is "well on its way to losing its soul."

METRO WORLD NEWS

Jacko got scanned to build a virtual clone of himself

YOU'RE NOT ALL THAT SURPRISED, ARE YOU? Michael Jackson wanted to build a clone of himself, femalefirst.co.uk reports. The singer — who died of acute Propofol intoxication aged 50 in June — underwent several three-dimensional scans in 1996 so a virtual reality robotic twin could be produced.

It is thought that the scans could now be used to bring the singer back in pop videos, computer games or even films. The anonymous U.S. businessman who owned the images and has reportedly been trying to sell them for $1 million US told Britain's Daily Star newspaper: "The data has been in our archives since he had the scans. The thing about this data is it immortalized him at the age of 37, before his nose was disfigured and when he was in the prime of his life." METRO NEWS SERVICES

Taylor Swift's success is 'too much too soon': Wynonna

COUNTRY CATFIGHT On Wednesday, Taylor Swift became the youngest artist ever to win the Country Music Association Awards' top honour: Entertainer of the Year. But Wynonna Judd doesn't think Swift, 19, is ready for such a top honour, usmagazine.com reports.

"You want my honest comment? It's too much too soon," the singer told USA Today before the show. "Time is God's way of keeping everything from happening at once. It's just too much of a good thing too soon."

Judd, 45, added: "My thing is, being a homeschool mom, I want kids to earn it, and I think some time ... 'cause mom and I rode in a car for the first year of our career to visit radio stations.

"There was a making of the star, there was a rising up, and the fans went with us.

"Now it's over coffee breaks, the success, almost," she added. "You have to play catch up ... It's like the girl who wins an Oscar and she's under 20. What do you do from here?" METRO WORLD NEWS

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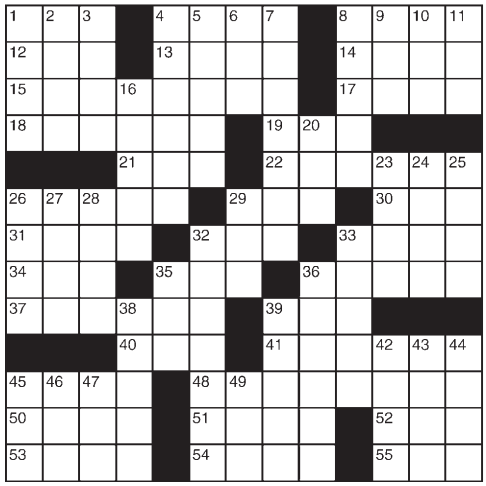

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Sudoku

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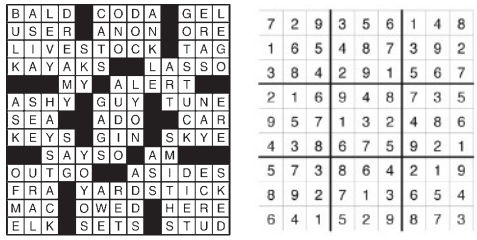
HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.

					6	9		1
6	9		2	4				7
	2							
3		1			5	8		
5								3
		2	8			6		4
							6	
2				6	7		9	8
4		7	5					

PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:



7	2	9	3	5	6	1	4	8
1	6	5	4	8	7	3	9	2
3	8	4	2	9	1	5	6	7
2	1	6	9	4	8	7	3	5
9	5	7	1	3	2	4	8	6
4	3	8	6	7	5	9	2	1
5	7	3	8	6	4	2	1	9
8	9	2	7	1	3	6	5	4
6	4	1	5	2	9	8	7	3

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Metro Recipe of the Day

Chargrilled Vegetable Feast

INGREDIENTS:

1 large zucchini, sliced into rings
1 eggplant, sliced into rings
1 red pepper, cut into wide strips
1 yellow pepper, cut into wide strips
1 red onion, cut into thin wedges
5 tbsp (75 ml) olive oil
2 garlic cloves, crushed
1/2 cup (125 ml) pine nuts or walnuts
14 oz (400 g) tagliatelle
4 tbsp (60 ml) pesto
7 oz (200 g) feta cheese, cubed

METHOD:

1. Preheat broiler to medium-high. Put vegetables in large bowl and drizzle with oil. Add garlic and season with pepper. Mix, then spread vegetables out in grill pan. Broil 20-25 minutes or until lightly charred, turning from time to time and removing vegetables that are cooked before rest.
2. While vegetables are cooking, put nuts in dry pan and toast over medium heat, tossing regularly, 2-3 minutes or until golden brown. Tip onto plate and set aside.
3. Towards end of broiling, cook pasta according to package instructions until al dente. Drain thoroughly and return to pot.
4. Add vegetables and pesto to pasta. Add feta cheese and nuts. Gently toss everything together and serve immediately.

SERVES 4

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Horoscopes by Sally Brompton

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ARIES ♈
MARCH 21-APRIL 20
You may not want to cause a fuss but if you let others get away with things they don't deserve to get away with today you will regret it later.

TAURUS ♉
APRIL 21-MAY 21
The best way to deal with an emotional issue is to ignore it. According to your solar chart what you think is a problem is not a problem at all.

GEMINI ♊
MAY 22-JUNE 21
The Sun in the work and wellbeing area of your chart urges you to take things easy, but other aspects suggest you feel obliged to get certain tasks done.

CANCER ♋
JUNE 22-JULY 22
Today's cosmic alignment could make you a bit too free and easy with your money. It's not often you go on a spree for the fun of it.

LEO ♌
JULY 23-AUG 23
You'll feel a bit vulnerable today, thanks to cosmic activity in your chart, but that is not an excuse to retreat from the world.

VIRGO ♍
AUG 24-SEPT 22
It's possible that your imagination will play tricks on you today and make you believe that certain things in your life are going wrong when they aren't.

LIBRA ♎
SEPT 23-OCT 23
You seem to believe that if you don't grab as much as you can of what's on offer today you will miss out and regret it.

SCORPIO ♏
OCT 24-NOV 22
You may feel a bit out of sorts at the moment but you really have precious little to worry about or get worked up about.

SAGITTARIUS ♐
NOV 23-DEC 21
You are not usually the cautious sort but for some reason you are reluctant to take risks, and that's good because you really don't need to.

CAPRICORN ♑
DEC 22-JAN 20
Good news will come your way over the next 24 hours but you need to be on your guard because not everything you hear will be on the level.

AQUARIUS ♒
JAN 21-FEB 18
It may be tempting to withhold your affections from someone who has offended you but will that really do any good?

PISCES ♓
FEB 19-MARCH 20
You need more laughs in your life, but from where? You cannot expect other people to make you feel good when your mood is low.

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